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HONG KONG TO BE CENTRE FOR RED PROPAGANDA?

Alleged Plan By Communists GRANDIOSE BLUEPRINT

Shanghai, Mar. 25. A political and propaganda offensive, with Hong Kong as the centre, is being planned by the Chinese Communists in conjunction with a vast overall military programme which the Reds hope to accomplish before American aid is available in effective quantities, it was learned here today.

The blueprint for the combined military and political campaign was made available to the United Press. Although the Communist aims are clearly set forth there is little reason to believe they will even approach success in the opening stages.

One reason for the Communist move is that the Nationalists have launched a political offensive of their own which is already paying dividends through winning the cooperation of peasants, villagers and local militia in the North China theatre.

The new Red offensive in the Tatum area (North China) is seen by qualified observers as the opening move of a campaign ultimately designed to make Central and South China major battle theatres of the civil war.

Informed sources said the Communists are making desperate efforts to contain the Nationalists in Manchuria in a "status quo" operation and at the same time seeking to break through toward Central China with rich Szechuan Province as the chief target.

The envisaged Red military campaign calls for the capture of Tatum; an overland march on Hankow; the crossing of the Yangtze; the invasion of Szechuan; and then an assault on Chungking, China's wartime capital.

The 1,000-mile battle front and the vast mountainous regions included in the military phase are considered insurmountable barriers in themselves even if the power of resistance of the Government is not considered.

Success Doubtful
The Communist blueprint, grandiose in intent, is given little chance of success. It also calls for the Reds, should they manage to take Hankow, to open up a diversionary front by heading southward to Hunan and Kwangtung Province and join with the Communists in Indo-China.

At the same time the Reds would seek to stir up the tribes in Sinkiang by creating unrest and anti-Government sentiment to make easier their efforts to penetrate Szechuan by keeping Government forces in Sinkiang engaged.

The success of these vast manoeuvres would leave the heart of coastal China, including Nanking and Shanghai, at the mercy of the Reds.

As an integral part of the combined military-political grand strategy the Reds are at present busy in Hong Kong completing plans for winning

"Malayan Navy"

Singapore, Mar. 25. It was officially announced today that the Malayan Royal Reserve will be reconstituted as the Malayan Navy.

The former Japanese minelayer "Wakata" will be the depot headquarters ship. In addition, a former R.N. patrol launch and a British fishing vessel will be assigned to the new Navy.—Associated Press.

DENMARK MAKING CERTAIN

Copenhagen, Mar. 24.

A Danish Government spokesman, broadcasting tonight, urged all Danes, particularly those in the coastal regions, to report without delay any unusual or suspicious movements or events.

The authorities had thoroughly investigated all reports that arms had been landed secretly in Denmark, but they had all proved to be incorrect, he said.

"Nevertheless, such things can happen," the spokesman added. Another official announcement today ordered an immediate cessation of the work of demolishing air raid shelters throughout Denmark.

This decision has been taken in view of the international political situation, the statement added. About 700 shelters have been demolished since the liberation, but 5,000 still remain.

Danish officers proceeding on Easter leave have been asked not to leave the area where they are stationed, it was reliably learned.—Reuter.



His Excellency the Governor and (left) Mr. N. O. C. Marsh, chairman of the Board of Directors, at the foundation-stone laying ceremony of the Hong Kong Telephone Co.'s new building in Nathan Road.—"China Mail" Photo.

Five-Year Building Plan For H.K.

The Hong Kong Government has launched a Five-Year Plan to rehabilitate all Government buildings to pre-war standard, the Hon. Mr. V. Kenniff, Director of Public Works, disclosed during the week in an interview with the Far Eastern Economic Review.

Mr. Kenniff also revealed that Government has started work on building a total of 118 flats on the island and mainland for Government servants. In addition two houses are being constructed on the Peak, and plans are being made for a new temporary market in Kowloon, several police stations and an additional 30 flats in Government Road and on the Victoria Road.

The Director of Public Works told the Review that apart from Government works, there had been considerable building activity by the public last year when almost 3,000 plans for new buildings, rehabilitation and repairs, as well as for alterations and additions to existing premises were submitted to the Building Authority for approval.

Some 90% of the plans were approved. These included 67 new houses of European type, 251 new Chinese style houses, 162 new office and industrial buildings, 727 plans for the rehabilitation or repairs to residential property, and 1,461 for alterations to business premises.

Approximately 70% of the pre-war Government buildings were damaged to varying degrees during the occupation. In order to accommodate all Government departments all rehabilitation was carried out on a temporary and austere basis. This was necessary on account of the acute shortages of suitable building materials.

Some 300 buildings had been rehabilitated on these lines by the end of 1947. Of these some 100 were of a purely residential nature and the remaining 200 of an administrative nature, though many contained quarters.

Due to the makeshift nature

WHITFIELD BARRACKS TO BE EVACUATED AT AN EARLY DATE

The early vacation of Whitfield Barracks in Kowloon by the Military Authorities in a scheme of exchange of military land was mentioned by the Governor, Sir Alexander Grantham, at the laying of the foundation stone of the Hong Kong Telephone Company's new 12-storey building at the corner of Nathan and Cameron Roads, Kowloon, yesterday.

Sir Alexander said, amidst laughter, that they had got the mules out so far, and it was hoped the rest of the military establishment would leave soon. The present GOC Major General Erskine, said His Excellency was most sympathetic with the views of the Colony in regard to its desire for removal of the military land from the path of its expansion.

His Excellency, accompanied by his ADC Captain Wilson, arrived at 12 noon, and he was welcomed by Mr. N.O.C. Marsh, Chairman of the Board of the Hong Kong Telephone Co. Ltd. and other officials of the Company.

Mr. Marsh, in a speech before the laying of the foundation stone, traced the development of the Telephone Company since 1881. He said the new building would furnish office accommodation and the upper floors 23 desirable flats which, in addition to relieving the Company's own problem in the matter of staff quarters, would supply a surplus for lease to the general public.

Arrangements were in train, he said, to rent the ground floor to a well-established firm of caterers who, he believed, intended to provide cafe and restaurant facilities on the most modern lines.

The new building should be ready for occupation in about 12 months.

After the foundation stone had been placed in position His Excellency the Governor said:—

Far-Sighted
"This is the first occasion on which I have laid a foundation stone, and I am very happy that it should be for the Hong Kong Telephone Company who I have always regarded as a very progressive, enterprising and far-sighted institution. I am glad to learn from your address that the Company still remains far-sighted. You believe in the future of Hong Kong, and how right you are in that belief. With you I look forward to a big expansion in this Colony of ours on both sides of the harbour, Hong Kong and Kowloon (Applause)."

With you also I hope that we shall be able to arrange with the Military Authorities for an exchange of their military lands, so that Whitfield Barracks are vacated; and in this connection I should like to remark that the present GOC, Major-General Erskine, is most sympathetic towards our view. We have at any rate got the mules out, and now let us hope that we will get the rest of the Military establishment out.

"Nathan Road is, I think one of the finest avenues in this Colony, and it is extremely important therefore that any building that fronts Nathan Road should be of a dignified and worthy design. I am sure that everyone will agree with me that the design that we see exemplified in the model over there will be a great credit to the whole Colony. It will be an example for other builders, and I hope that example will be followed."

"I wish the Hong Kong Telephone Company every success in the future, and as more equipment becomes available there will be more telephones—more and more telephones, and we shall have lower and lower rates" (loud laughter).

Silver Trowel
The Governor then thanked Mr. Marsh for the gift of the silver trowel which he said was a lovely memento.

The Director of Public Works, Mr. V. Kenniff, expressed his faith in the future of the Colony. This faith, he said, was shared by a good many people, but not every one put it into practical application. He congratulated the Hong Kong Telephone Company on the practical way in which they had demonstrated their faith in the

Over To You



To play ball with this young lady would be no trouble at all. She is a champion. — Joan Caulfield, winner of latest film is now showing here.

Churchill Charge Of Bad Faith

London, Mar. 24. Mr. Winston Churchill, leader of the Conservative Opposition, made another charge of bad faith against the Government today.

He accused the Government of doing a "disreputable job" of seeking Party advantage in the redistribution of "Parliamentary seats made necessary by movements of population in recent years."

"We are to have a redistribution bill which is deliberately based on no principle except that of party advantage and which has no sanction behind it except a party majority obtained on false pretences," he declared.

For the Government, it had been stated that England, compared with Scotland and Wales,

Budget Debate
Legislative Council is to debate the Budget on Tuesday, Mar. 30.

The debate will follow the second reading of the Appropriations Bill by the Financial Secretary.

was, under the old proposal, proportionately under-represented in the House of Commons.

Mr. Churchill was commenting on a bill which, although reducing the total number of Members from 640 to 625, increases the Government's originally suggested figure of 608 by 17.

Mr. Churchill said it was no coincidence that seven of eight big boroughs, which would be divided to create the new seats, were held by Socialists.

Mr. Herbert Morrison, the Deputy Prime Minister, said amid loud laughter: "I think there is a lot to be said for Mr. Churchill having a good go because he feels better after it. Sometimes, next day he is almost beneficial."

The Weather

An anticyclone centred over N. China dominates the area. A depression E of Kamohaka is moving NE.
Today's Forecast: Moderate N or NE winds, fresh at times. Fair and mild.
Tomorrow's Weather:—
Maximum: 74.1 deg. F.
Minimum: 57.7 deg. F.
Sunshine: 2.5 hours.
Rainfall: Nil. Total since Jan. 1—24.5 inches. (Jan. 27—Feb. 25) average of 187.9 inches. 24.5 inches.
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Canton To Control H.K. Newspapers

Canton, Mar. 25. The new regulations governing the registration and entry of Chinese newspapers published in Hong Kong and Macao will be strictly enforced as from April 1, a spokesman of the Canton Municipal Government told Reuter this morning.

Under the city's new regulations, all Chinese newspapers in Hong Kong and Macao must obtain a permit from the Social Affairs Bureau before they are allowed to be sent here for sale. Each permit is valid for a week only.

Applications for such permits must give the name, age, sex, previous positions held, Party affiliations of the publisher, editor-in-chief and any other person responsible for the editing of the publication.—Reuter.

U.S. Warplanes Sent To Russia?

Washington, Mar. 25. Tension mounted in Congress today over testimony that American warplane engines and other supplies have been shipped to Russia at a time of critical world tension.

Spurred by disclosures before his House Investigating Committee, Chairman Ritzley of Oklahoma reported these moves are under way.

1) A demand on the Department of Commerce for a complete "breakdown" of all American materials sent to Russia and her satellite nations.

2) A full-scale inquiry into the operations of the Moore McCormack Steamship Lines of New York, described by a witness yesterday as the American firm handling all shipments for the Amtorg, the official Russian purchasing agency in this country.

Ritzley said committee investigators are "already on the spot" to go over Moore McCormack's records. They also will check reports that 60 Russian ships have been loaded in New York Harbour since January 1.

Committee members gaped when Carl Henderson, assistant chief of the State Department's International Resources Division testified yesterday that the Department "has not yet worked out a policy of distinction between shipments to friendly and unfriendly countries."

Malmedy Massacre Men To Die

Frankfurt, Mar. 24. The American Military Governor approved today sentences of death on 12 former members of the German 6th Panzer Army for their part in the December, 1944, "crossroads massacre" where more than 70 unarmed soldiers were machine-gunned to death in the middle of a field at Malmedy.

The 12 doomed men, who were headed by former SS Colonel Joachim Peiper, were originally sentenced by an American military court, martial at Dachau Camp in 1946. The court had found all 78 of the defendants on trial guilty. In the same order, today, General Lucius D. Clay reversed the findings of the court on 13 defendants, of whom all but one had been sentenced to either life imprisonment or death.

The order, which was approved by the International Military Tribunal at Nuremberg, was issued on March 16, 1948.—Reuter.

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WITNESS DENIES CHANGING OF A VIOLENT TEMPER BUT QUITE SANE

Thief Caught In Act

The public-spiritedness of a neighbour resulted in the prompt arrest of Li Siu (32), unemployed, and the recovery of the five pieces of clothing which he stole from the top floor of 21 Cheong Lok Street at 11 p.m. on March 24.

When the sneak thief appeared before Mr. W. H. Latimer at Kowloon yesterday charged with larceny, Inspector J. Orem said that at 11 p.m. on March 24, accused went up to the roof of 21 Cheong Lok Street and, by means of a hook tied to the end of a bamboo pole, stole five pieces of clothing from the clothes-line in the verandah of the top floor.

This was seen by Chau Ching (27), motor driver, who was working on the opposite side of the road. When defendant descended into the street from the roof he was nabbed by Chau and brought to the Police Station.

Li, a life banished with five previous convictions between Nov. 11, 1941 and Dec. 2, 1946, was sentenced to six months' hard labour and recommended to be re-banished.

SCOTTISH REELS

Those interested in Scottish Reels have one more chance this season to enjoy these dances.

The Highland Dancing Club of the European Y.M.C.A. is holding the "End-of-Season" Dance, on April 3 at 8 p.m. at the Y.M.C.A.

The Club has secured the services of two very competent pipers, who will add zest to the dance.

Ballroom Dances will also be included in the evening's programme. Tickets are available at the Y.M.C.A.

Charged with stealing a battery set from a garage, Li Ming (28), unemployed, with two previous convictions, records, was sentenced to six months' hard labour and to be under police supervision for two years.

The Directors of the Hong Kong Land Investment and Agency Co., Ltd. yesterday declared a dividend for the year 1947 of \$3 per share less tax for the old shares and proportionately for the new shares ranking for dividend from July 1 and Oct. 1, respectively.

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HIS ORIGINAL STORY

The case against four Fisheries Department inspectors on bribery and conspiracy charges was continued before Mr. A. J. Clifford at Central Magistracy yesterday, when further evidence was produced by the prosecution.

Accused—Chan Yuen-kau, Kwok Muk-hoi, Lee Kwai-wan and Tso Wai-hin—are charged with conspiring together (and with others) between Jan. 3 and Jan. 21 to permit the unlawful sale of fish at the Central Market and with conspiring to obtain money to permit the landing of fresh marine fish at Stone Pier.

Mr. F.W.W. Shaftain, assisted by Inspector J. Johnson, is for the prosecution. Mr. B.A. Bernacchi is for the first accused and Mr. J.C. Stewart represents the other three accused.

Cross-examined, Ip said that he had a certificate showing that he was suffering from nervous breakdown and malnutrition anemia. This was before he was taken in by the Police; he had applied for bail. Before the war, he was a member of the fish laan and was still a member.

Until he saw the inspector, he did not know that Mr. Shaftain would help the fish laan in future. He was not present on the wharf when the fish arrived, but a fork was there. He had instructed his fork to get as much fish as he could to land at Central Market and he knew that some of the fish landed at the Central Market was against the law.

The first ferry carrying fish from Shuang Chau arrived at 8.45 a.m. and something a second ferry arrived at 11 a.m. The fish was despatched by his agent. He attended the meeting when the Government Scheme was initiated. Lau Kwok-ming was the chairman.

He was elected at the meeting and it was agreed that an appeal be forwarded to Government, after the refusal by Government, it was decided to carry on as best they could. The three receipts he had mentioned were the only ones he had. The others had been destroyed. Sometimes a receipt showed a larger amount than the amount of fish seized.

Denial

In reply to Mr. Stewart, witness denied that he had changed his story because he knew that the defence had access to certain records. He admitted that he had a stall at Kennedy Town and that he was at one time placed in charge of the enemy property in the market for three weeks before the market was started up. He remembered the Government scheme and that a number of fresh fish was seized. He was present at a meeting in Jubilee Street because official inspectors wished to collect money. In reply to Mr. Shaftain witness said he could not remember the average amount of fish seized.

Witness told the Magistrate that all fish written in the record of arrivals and the amount delivered and weighed in the market.

Referring to money collected by the association, witness said that any money not paid to the first accused was spent in connection with an appeal to the Government and tea party to the members. He knew that the first accused was paid \$40 a day for ten days.

There were three methods of collecting funds for the Hop Yick Association. First, an initial contribution of \$50, second, a collection of two per cent on the value of the fish and, thirdly, a payment of \$1.50 per tub of fish and 75 cents per basket of fish.

Asked For Money

The next witness, Tang Wah, stated that he was a fish stallholder in the Central Market and had been in the business for 16 years. He recalled the establishment of the Hop Yick Tong because the Fisheries Inspectors had asked for money. Mr. Chan Kam was Chairman of the Tong. As the collection of two per cent was not satis-

Italy Agreeable

Rome, Mar. 24.

Italy has informed the United States that she is ready to take part with the American, French, British and Soviet Governments in drafting a protocol on the return of Trieste to Italy, to be submitted to the Security Council for approval.

This was stated in a note handed to Mr. George Marshall, the American Secretary of State by the Italian Ambassador in Washington, acknowledging the Western Allies' proposal to return Trieste to Italy—Reuter.

H.K. Singers Present The Messiah

There used to be a H.K. programme, "Deer Island Dances," it was called, in which prominent people were asked to come to the microphone and play those records which they would take with them when they returned to the solitude of a deserted island, but equipped of course with a superlative radio gram.

That a group of people, then, should get together to recreate a work of art is deserving of the highest praise. That they should content themselves with nothing less than the Messiah demonstrates an ambition that must be followed in other cultural activities. It was with a spirit of optimism that we took our seats last night to witness the performance of the Messiah given by the enthusiastic group, the Hong Kong Singers. It was, we are pleased to recall, an optimism not unfounded and doomed to no disappointment. In any such undertaking as this by amateurs, there are fallacies, which, from the status of the performers, are inevitable. All these singers go out to attend all rehearsals, and of the latter can hardly be enough. Timing may sometimes be awry, the attack may be unequal; insufficient familiarity with the score may show eyes on books when they should be on the conductor. To deny some of these fallings on Wednesday's performance would be absurd, but that they were such little white effects most highly on all members of the Hong Kong Singers, and especially on Miss Litchem, the conductor.

The Colony is fortunate to have available such talent as was displayed by the soloists. Parts were taken as follows: Soprano, Cella Hodgson; Contralto, Margaret Stewart; Tenor, E. Small; Bass, W.H. Bailey. Mr. E. O'Hall Shaw, who sang the large solo part, the latter unfortunately won, and part III was accompanied on the piano.

In all a most creditable performance, and the whole a large audience go out most gratefully to the Hong Kong Singers.

Appointed

The following appointments are noted in the latest Government Gazette:

F. P. Franklin to be a Member of the Committee to administer the War Memorial Fund, vice Benjamin Wylie (resigned).

C. J. G. Lowe to be Master Education Dept.

Mrs. Alix Wakefield, JP, to be a member of the Licensing Board (vice John Fleming, JP).

Mrs. Elaine N. Davis to act as Public Relations Officer.

T. E. Clunie to be A.S.P.

D. Benson to be temporarily and "subject to His Majesty's pleasure" an Unofficial Member of the Legislative Council during the absence of Arthur Morse, CBE.

ST. JOHN AMB. ORDERS

Orders by Asst. Comm. A. J. Avenell, Acting Commissioner, St. J.A.B. Order No. 2748, dated March 16, 1948.

Parades. The date of the Annual Inspection will be April 21. No practice parades will be held on Sunday, March 22, practice parades will be held at the S.A.B. grounds on Sundays, the 4th and 11th April at 10 a.m.

Ambulance Order. From Mar. 20 to Mar. 27, Wanchai "A" Division; Mar. 28 to Apr. 4, Shamshing Division; Apr. 5 to Apr. 11, Chung Shee Division.

Transport Division. Motor Transport Division: Mr. Wai Wen Wah, JP, to be Hon. A.O. w.a.f. 23.2.48; Mr. K. K. Ho, JP, to be Hon. A.O. w.a.f. 27.2.48; Mr. C. H. Chan, JP, to be Hon. A.O. w.a.f. 1.12.47; Mr. T. S. Ho, JP, to be Hon. A.O. w.a.f. 1.12.47.

Police. R. A. Kowalski, Corps Officer.

Certified by the doctor as sane but of a violent temper, due to his upbringing, Lam Sing (25) was yesterday sentenced by Mr. W.H. Latimer to two months' hard labour on the charge of criminal intimidation of Ho Yiu-lam on Feb. 9.

Defendant was first charged on March 5 when the facts of the case were presented by Det. Inspector J. M. Forrest.

After reading the translations of two letters allegedly sent to the complainant, Mr. Latimer decided to remand defendant in Hospital custody as "it appeared to be more a medical than a criminal problem."

Two further remands, for further observations, were ordered by the Magistrate. When the case was called yesterday, Det. Inspector Forrest produced the certificate from the Medical Officer which stated that defendant was sane but possessed a quick and violent temper. This was "doubtless due to his upbringing."

When the case was first heard, Det. Insp. Forrest said that defendant was the nephew of the complainant, Ho Yiu-lam.

In 1946, accused came from Sumatra as a destitute and his uncle, taking pity on him, took him in at 1 Koon Chung Street.

After a stay of 20 days accused, it was stated, fell in love with his 18-year-old cousin, the daughter of complainant, and asked for permission to marry her. This was refused by the girl's parents on account of defendant's "Communist outlook on life."

He was sent back to his father at Canton as he continued to pester the girl's parents for permission to marry her. While in Canton, during the latter part of 1946 and the whole of 1947, Lam continuously sent letters to the complainant and his wife pressing for permission to marry the girl.

Defendant returned to Hong Kong at the beginning of last month and, on Feb. 8, telephoned to his auntie telling her that unless his uncle give his consent to the marriage he (accused) would do him in and then commit suicide.

On the following day a letter was received through the post by complainant repeating, it was alleged, the telephone threats and adding, "I have now reached the last minute of endeavour. I feel I would rather die at your hands so as to get rid of my sufferings as a creature on earth."

A few days later, another letter was received from Lam written in the same strain. In between the receipt of these two letters, Ho sent for the accused's father who, on his arrival from Canton, asked defendant to stop his nonsense as he could not possibly hope to marry the girl.

Defendant ignored all advice and things got to such a stage that the whole thing eventually came to the attention of the Police.

When asked by the Magistrate what he had to say, defendant, who had been sitting toolishly all the time, said, "Uncle has been very kind to me. Surely, I do not want to kill him or myself."

Remarking that "a man in his right frame of mind, does not write letters like that," Mr. Latimer remanded accused for medical examination.

H.K.V.D.C. ORDERS

Orders by Colonel L. T. Ridd, C.B.E., Commander, H.K.V.D.C. Order No. 948, Mar. 25, 1948.

Search and Seizure in the Series of Lectures. All Officers, Warrant Officers and Sergeants, H.K.V.D.C. are notified that the seventh and last in the series of lectures will take place at Corps Headquarters at 6 p.m. on Tuesday, Apr. 6, 1948.

The lecturer will be H.E. the General Officer Commanding Hong Kong, Major General G.W.E. Erskine, CB, DSO. He will be lecturing on Germany.

Holidays. H.K.V.D.C. Headquarters, Lower Albert Road, will be closed on Friday, Saturday and Monday, 26th, 27th and 28th March, 1948.

Teachers Wanted

The Director of Education announces that a limited number of vacancies exist in the Education Department, for Certificated Teachers and Assistant Masters and Mistresses, to teach general subjects through the medium of English. Applicants must possess approved Teachers' Certificates and/or Diplomas of recognized Universities, and must be under 35 years of age.

Applications, with copies of testimonials, certificates and details of qualifications and experience, should reach the Secretary, Education Department, Windsor House, Hong Kong, before April 6.

Ambulance Charges

Fire Brigade ambulances are only to be called in cases of accidents and similar emergencies. The Medical Department have now instituted an ambulance service and ambulances are stationed at the following institutions:—Queen Mary Hospital (For both general and infectious diseases) Kowloon Hospital, Kwong Wah Hospital, Tung Wah Hospital, Tung Wah Eastern Hospital, Lai Chi Kok Hospital, (For infectious diseases only).

Charges will be made for the use of the ambulances in accordance with the following scales:—For any distance not exceeding 10 miles, \$7.50; For any distance exceeding 10 miles, \$15.00, any additional charges such as across harbour ferry dues to be borne by hirer. In calculating charges, only mileage covered by the ambulance after receiving the patient will be taken into account.

RADIO

ZBW Hong Kong broadcasting on a frequency of 845 kilocycles from 12.15 to 2.00 p.m., and from 4.00 to 11.00 p.m., and also on 9.22 megacycles, in the 31 metre band from 12.30 to 1.50, 6.50 to 7.30 and 9.00 to 11.00 p.m.

12.15 p.m.—Studio: Catholic Prayers by the Rev. Father J. Gallagher, S.J.

12.30 p.m.—Daily Programme Summary.

1.00 p.m.—Great Recital.

1.15 p.m.—News—Weather Report and Announcements.

1.30 p.m.—Philadelphia Symphony Orchestra and Ischaia Ballie (Soprano).

1.45 p.m.—Warner Pacific Picture and Good Friday Music played by the Berlin Philharmonic Orchestra.

2.00 p.m.—Close Down.

3.00 p.m.—Programme Summary.

3.15 p.m.—Studio: Children's Half Hour.

3.30 p.m.—Melodies from British Films (DBOTS).

7.00 p.m.—London Relay: World and Home News.

7.15 p.m.—Studio: Variety Debut Programme "You Asked for It," presented by Lynn Francis.

8.15 p.m.—Interlude.

8.30 p.m.—S.B.C. Theatre: Orchestra Concert, conducted by Sir, Thomas Beecham.

9.00 p.m.—London Relay: World and Home News.

9.15 p.m.—Weather Report.

9.30 p.m.—"St. Matthew Passion" (Bach), Choir of St. Thomas Church and Gewandhaus Orchestra conducted by Gustav Meier. With Introduction by the Rev. Father T.F. Ryan, S.J.

11.00 p.m.—Close Down.

SATURDAY, MARCH 27

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12.15 p.m.—Daily Programme Summary.

12.30 p.m.—George Melachrino and His Orchestra (DBOTS).

1.00 p.m.—Songs by Grace Moore (DBOTS).

1.15 p.m.—News, Weather Report and Announcements.

1.30 p.m.—Interlude.

1.45 p.m.—R.N.C. Military Band and Raymond Newell (Drum Major).

2.00 p.m.—Close Down.

2.15 p.m.—Programme Summary.

2.30 p.m.—"Light Varieties."

2.45 p.m.—"My Sonnet for You" Being by Maurice Kenny (DBOTS).

3.00 p.m.—Close Down.

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Balance Sheet 31st December, 1947

(The Figures of certain Branches previously Enemy-occupied which have not been re-opened, are taken from the latest Returns received.)

1940.				1940.			
LIABILITIES.				ASSETS.			
£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.	
3,000,000			Capital, Stock, Authorised and Issued	19,723,243			Cash in Hand and at Bankers
			(There is under the Charter a reserve liability of the Stockholders equal to the amount of Stock issued.)	50,139,009			Government and Other Securities
3,000,000			Reserve Fund				Hongkong Government Certificates of Indebtedness for Surrendered Coin and Cash
2,432,748			Notes in Circulation				Lodged against Note Issue
			Current and other Accounts, including provision for Bad and Doubtful Debts and Contingencies and Exchange	2,579,756			Securities Lodged against Note Issue
90,035,722			Adjustments				Allahabad Bank Ltd.—37,648 Ordinary Shares of Rs. 100 each of which 14,665 are fully paid and 22,983 are paid up to the extent of Rs. 50 per share, at cost
7,644,029			Fixed Deposits				Bills of Exchange, including Foreign Treasury Bills
1,721,541			Bills Payable				Advances to Customers and Other Accounts
2,961,312			Acceptances, including Under-lying to accept, on Account of Customers	747,705			Liability of Customers for Acceptances, including Undertakings to accept, per Contra
675,000			Loans Payable	3,136,335			Bank Premises and Furniture at the Head Office and Branches
704,518			Profit and Loss Account	29,506,701			Balance of Remittances, Drafts, etc. in Transit between Head Office, Branches and Agencies
£118,174,870				£126,413,799			

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J. L. MILNE, Directors.
A. ROSE, Directors.

REPORT OF THE AUDITORS TO THE STOCKHOLDERS.

We have examined the above Balance Sheet with the books at the Head Office in London and with the Returns from the Branches open at 31st December, 1947, certified by the Branch Managers. No Returns are available as to the Assets and Liabilities at 31st December, 1947, of certain Branches which had not then been re-opened after enemy occupation, and the figures included in the Balance Sheet in respect of such Branches are those shown in the last occupation, and the figures included in the Balance Sheet in respect of such Branches are those shown in the last occupation, and the figures included in the Balance Sheet in respect of such Branches are those shown in the last occupation.

DELOITTE, PLENDER, GRIFFITHS & CO., Auditors.
W. A. BROWNE & CO., Chartered Accountants.

London, 10th March, 1948.

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT For the Year ended 31st December, 1947

1940.				1940.			
£				£			
57,750			Interim Dividend at 30th June, 1947, less Income Tax at 9/- in the £	383,638			Balance brought forward from 31st December, 1946
			Balance proposed to be dealt with as follows:—				Profits, after providing for Bad and Doubtful Debts, Taxation and Contingencies, including results between the date of the last certified returns received and 31st December, 1947, of Branches re-opened during 1947, so far as can at present be ascertained, but subject to unascertained results of Branches not re-opened at 31st December, 1947
107,250			9/- in the £				
100,000			Officers' Pension Fund				
10,000			Widows' and Orphans' Fund				
100,000			Bank Premises				
			Carried forward to Profit and Loss New Account				
387,288				378,632			
704,518							
£792,268				£762,268			

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Forty-eighth Ordinary Yearly Meeting of the Shareholders in the Company will be held at the Company's Office, Windsor House, Mezzanine Floor, Hong Kong, on Thursday 15th April, 1948, at 11 A.M. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1947, to sanction the declaration of a Dividend and Bonus and to elect Directors and Auditors.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from 1st April, 1948, to 15th April, 1948, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
G. MILNE, Secretary.
Hongkong, 22nd March, 1948.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Fourteenth Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Registered Offices of the Company, King's Theatre Building, 5th floor, on Wednesday, the 31st day of March, 1948, at 12 o'clock noon, to receive the Directors' Report and Accounts as at 31st December, 1947, to elect Directors and Auditors and to transact such other business as may be properly transacted at an Ordinary General Meeting of the Company.

AND NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Register and Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 28th to the 31st day of March, 1948 both days inclusive.

GEORGE Y. K. SUN, Secretary.
Hong Kong, 18th March, 1948.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONG KONG

PROBATE JURISDICTION

In the Goods of FERNANDO MARIO XAVIER late of Bangkok, Siam, Gentleman, deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Court has by virtue of Section 58 of the Probates Ordinance, 1897, made an Order limiting the time for creditors and others to send in their claims against the above estate to the 9th day of April, 1948.

All creditors and others are accordingly hereby required to send their claims to the undersigned on or before that date.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Court has by virtue of Section 58 of the Probates Ordinance, 1897, made an Order limiting the time for creditors and others to send in their claims against the above estate to the 21st day of April, 1948.

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V. WALKER, Acting General Manager.

URBAN COUNCIL NOTICE

It is hereby notified that it is the intention of the Government to remove all urns and remains in the Government or General Section of the Apichau Urn Cemetery and to re-bury them in New Kowloon Cemetery No. 8 (Diamond Hill Urn Cemetery). Such removal will commence on 1st April, 1948. All persons wishing to arrange for private removal of any of these urns should apply to the Secretary, Urban Council before 1st April, 1948.

T.S.D. WHITLEY, Secretary, Urban Council.
Hong Kong, 25th March, 1948.

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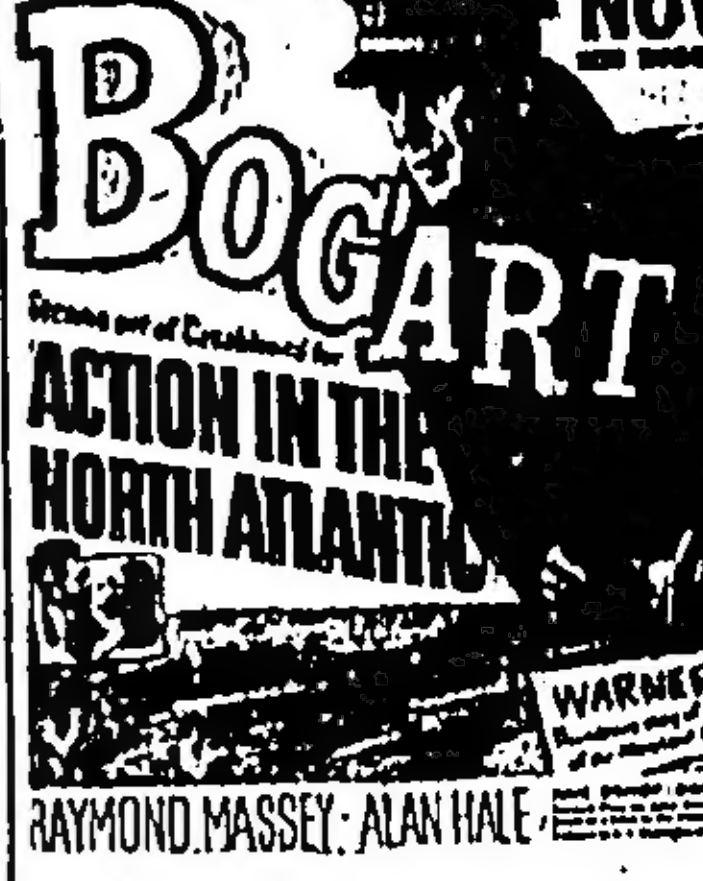
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ANNAM SUPPORT FOR BAO Two Parties Want Ex-Emperor's Return Abdication Said "Null And Void"

Salgon, Mar. 24.
The Monarchists and Centre Parties of Annam and Tongking want the immediate return of ex-Emperor Bao Dai as ruler, Dr. Le Van Hoach, former Cochin China Premier, told Reuter here today.

In this they are supported by the Vietnam National Rally and the religious sects, the Caodai and Hoa Hao, he said.

Dr. Hoach arrived here recently from Hong Kong, where the ex-Emperor now is, and will return there on Friday.

"The abdication of Bao Dai, which was accomplished under pressure from Vietnam and under conditions which Vietnam did not respect, was not voluntary and must be considered as null and void," Dr. Hoach declared.

"Legally, Bao Dai is still Emperor. The monarchy can therefore be restored immediately without a meeting of the Vietnamese National Congress."

Unification

"Cochin China as represented by General Nguyen Van Xuan, who has hitherto always demanded autonomy, will accept the formation of a Central Government unifying Tongking."

Labour Party Accused

London, Mar. 25.
The Labour Party was today accused by Signor Rodolfo Morandi, a leader of the Italian majority Socialist Party, of trying "too heavily" to interfere in Italian national affairs and influence the result of next month's Italian general elections.

"Such interference will not help the British Labour Party," he declared. "The Italian people recognise it for what it is and will not be influenced."

Signor Morandi, whose party is fused with the Communists in the elections, was explaining at a press conference why his delegation walked out of a meeting of the International Socialist Committee here last weekend.

The delegation, he said, had seen a resolution passed by the Committee asking the Italian Socialists to co-operate with the Communists—as a clear invitation to members of the party to bring about a new split in the ranks of the Italian Socialists by switching over to the Rightwing Saragat Socialist Party.

Since the meeting refused to withdraw the reference to Italy, the delegation left, "refusing to accept the offensive declaration that the Italian Socialist Party was subordinated to the Cominform," Reuter.

Prediction

London, Mar. 25.
Ivan Matteo Lombardo, leader of Italian right-wing Socialists, predicted on Tuesday night that the Communist vote in next month's election will not exceed 35 percent.

He said this will give the Government a safe working majority in the Assembly, and the big problem then will be to devise a broad programme for Italy's future.

Lombardo headed a delegation of the Socialist Union to this week's Italian Socialist Party Conference on the Marshall Plan.—Associated Press.

VOTE FOR WOMEN

Brussels, Mar. 24.
The Belgian Senate today approved a bill giving women the right to vote. There were 351 votes for the bill and three—all Socialists—against it.

Under the present law, Belgian women can vote only in the municipal elections, although they are eligible to stand for Parliament.—Reuter.

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WAR PLANS ACCUSATION

New York, Mar. 24.
The Dominican Government, through its information centre here, said today that it had "reliable information" of Guatemalan plans to foment a war in Central America.

"President Arvello of Guatemala has just received from Venezuela heavy assistance in the form of arms and finance for the prosecution of Guatemala's activity against several Central American Governments and the Dominican Republic," they said.—Reuter.

Russian Schemes Exposed

Paris, Mar. 24.
The Marshall Plan had expelled all the "hot air" from Moscow's foreign policy and left only "terror", Mr. Irving J. Brown, European representative of the American Federation of Labour, told the Anglo-American Press Association here today.

Mr. Brown said, "One must be forced to say that Russia is preparing or is prepared for military action. Her timetable has been speeded up. Russia will not refrain from any political act—if a decision as to time and necessity has been made—because it might involve military action."

Mr. Brown said labour must unite in the Western world if the Marshall Plan was to be realised and the spread of Communism arrested.—Reuter.

Britain's Talks With Siam

Bangkok, Mar. 24.
The Siamese Prime Minister, Nai Khuang Aphaiwongse, said today that negotiations for revision of the Anglo-Siamese agreement of 1946 were "progressing satisfactorily."

He said that Siam was seeking "more equitable" terms on the reparations settlement, war damage claims and rice supply contracts.

The Siamese peace agreement of Jan. 1, 1946, provided for the return to Britain of the four Malay and two Shan States ceded to Siam by the Japanese in July, 1943, the payment of war damage to British nations, and reparations in the form of a maximum of 1,500,000 tons of Siam's rice surplus for the use of starving communities in the East.

Until a date not later than Sept. 1, 1947, the Siamese Government agreed under the treaty to make available to an international rice organisation all rice surplus to internal needs.

In August, 1946, the Siamese Foreign Minister told the Siamese Parliament that consultations were going on between him and the British Minister about the agreement.—Reuter.

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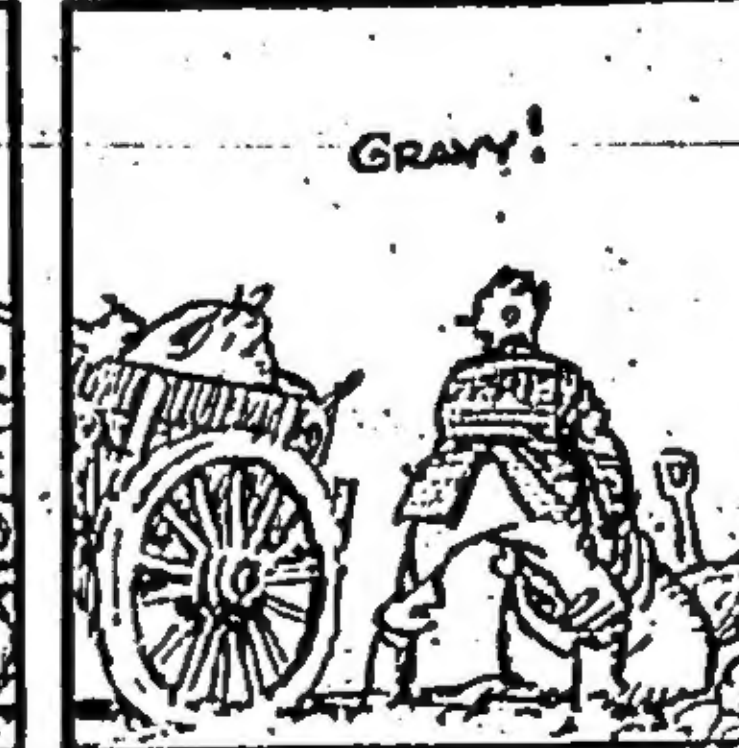
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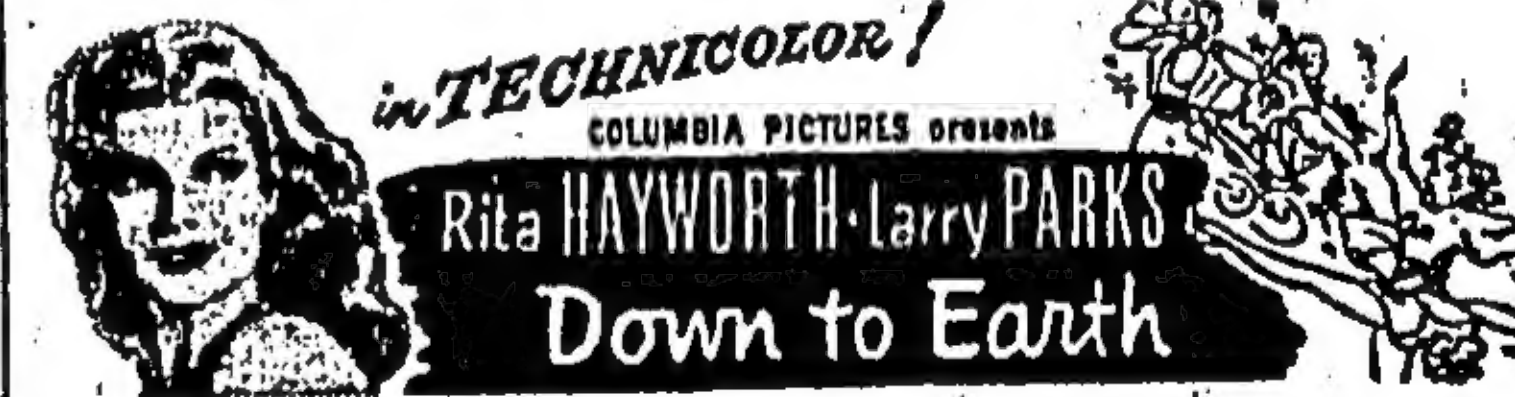


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Recent developments in Europe have brought home the menace of Communism so urgently that powerful movements are manifesting themselves in nearly all the countries sharing in the Marshall Plan in favour of ever closer mutual support.

Even federation is now being strongly advocated as an ultimate aim. The powerfully supported motion tabled in the House of Commons by back-bench M.P.'s of all parties was a remarkable and noteworthy indication of this urge.

The signatories' aims do not differ significantly from those advocated by the Churchill Committee; but the issue of Mr. Churchill's challenging leadership is thus circumvented—a development with which he is not likely to quarrel as he may be regarded at about any personal feelings in the matter.

General de Gaulle is also advocating the idea of union and the Scandinavian countries have shown themselves to be sympathetic although cautious. Greece and Turkey have both declared in favour of closer relationships both with the Western Powers and with each other, and Italy's co-operation can be fully counted on in the elections next month result, as generally expected, in a defeat of the Communists, although because of the established strength of Communism in Italy the position must remain somewhat delicate.

The instrument that evolved from the Brussels talks, which will be known as the Brussels Treaty, is an alliance of the first magnitude providing not only for automatic and immediate mutual military aid in the case of aggression but also for the closest collaboration in economic and colonial policy. It is for a period of 50 years.

Some idea of the importance of this new international grouping can be gathered from the violence of Russian reactions. The Soviet Press and wireless have been completely unrestrained in abuse and denunciation of the whole idea.

There are grounds for the belief that the American Government will endorse the pact by guaranteeing American military aid in the event of aggression.

Such a step would have one important consequence. There can be no doubt that if this American support were forthcoming beyond doubt or dispute, the last hesitation of the Scandinavian countries about joining in the Union would disappear.

Fresh Heart

Worried food and nutrition experts throughout the world may take fresh heart. A professor at Peiping University claims to have found a simple solution to the world's food problem by using the inexhaustible resources of the oceans in plankton, the minute forms of plant and animal life which swarm in the sea.

Plankton, says Professor Edgar Taschjian of the Catholic Fu Jen foundation, has all the food values necessary to sustain human life. It is already used as food, he points out, in China, Japan, and North Africa, while members of a recent expedition which crossed the Pacific on a raft caught five to ten pounds of plankton daily and found it to be a delicacy tasting like caviare or shrimp paste.

The land surface of the globe is small compared with the seas, 55,500,000 square miles of land as against 141,050,000 square miles of ocean, and of the land not all is cultivated, whereas this sea harvest thrives almost everywhere and only waits to be gathered, according to the professor.

He also suggests a bold solution to the difficulty of finding the necessary power to filter enormous quantities of sea-water in order to separate out the plankton—to use the energy of the sea-waves themselves and convert it. Installations set up on the sea

German Fleet's Brest Escape: Stupidity Of Diplomacy

It is a grotesque thing that neither the Italians nor the Spaniards are willing to have the armaments which we furnish them credited against the deliveries they are to make to us. They demand that this be postponed until after the war. In other words, we are supplying the Italians with weapons but must make separate payment for the goods the Italians furnish us. This is a real headache.

At noon the Fuehrer gave a small luncheon in honour of Quisling.

The Fuehrer is naturally very happy that our warships succeeded in breaking through. The bottlenecks we gained enormously in prestige while the British lost correspondingly.

Naive Quisling

He is still of the opinion that Churchill has been manoeuvred into a dangerous position, and that his fall may possibly be expected. Quisling developed very naive ideas in his talk with the Fuehrer, as the latter confided to me.

He thinks he will be permitted to build up a new Norwegian Army, protect the Norwegian harbour, himself, and finally create an entirely free Norway.

That, of course, is very childish. The Fuehrer replied evasively to these claims.

As for myself, I have the impression that Quisling is in fact nothing but a quaking, I can't feel very sympathy for him.

The Fuehrer has had to go to Dr. Ley hard because of his articles on increased production, since they contained veiled attacks against the Ministry of Munitions. In my presence he gave Ley a tongue-lashing and, when the latter tried to reply, told him that it just won't do for anybody to start things on his own at a time when other departments and other personalities are concerned. (Thereafter, the Fuehrer's problem.)

German complaints bitterly about Rosenberg, who has managed to create a complete chaos in his Ministry and is picking quarrels with every Tom Dick and Harry.

Quisling, too, is a sort of quaking type. A good theoretical claim but completely at sea as far as organisation is concerned, besides having rather childish ideas. He has written a letter to his wife. It is deservingly naive. He says that he has done a great thing for the war effort, and declares he believes the dream of Professor Haushofer, that he will some day return home with peace in his hands, will yet come chiefly concerned with his health. In other words, he hasn't stopped his quackery.

He is certainly not in the condition in which we thought him to be. He is past hope of redemption.

A Sensation

February 14, 1942: The fact that we sailed through the Channel with our three big ships is today's great sensation in London. People act as though they were stunned.

There is talk of a great sea battle, and an effort to prove that the German squadron sustained heavy losses. There isn't a word of truth in that. Meanwhile, the facts are seeping through.

It is characteristic that the French on the Eastern Front are giving us a good account of themselves.

These people are no longer worried anything. They have lost their military punch. A mace-bear nation, bent upon pleasure, which has rightfully suffered a catastrophe.

We need no longer have any fears—the French won't cross our path for a long time to come. The Spaniards are extraordinarily courageous, but have military peculiarities which we simply cannot understand.

For example, they just can't comprehend that horses must be looked after and fed.

It is significant that most of the local Soviet population leave with us wherever our troops are compelled to withdraw.

Bolshevism is a doctrine of the devil, and anybody who has once suffered from this scourge doesn't want to have Russian rule again.

The sufferings of the Russian people under Bolshevism are indescribable.

The Fuehrer has once more expressed his determination to clean up the Jews in Europe pitilessly.

There must be no squeamish sentimentalism about it. The Jews have deserved the catastrophe that has now overtaken them.

They must hasten this process with cold ruthlessness. We shall thereby render an inestimable service to a humanity tormented for thousands of years by the Jews.

The Fuehrer expressed this idea vigorously and repeated it afterwards to a group of officers who came to him in their pipes and smoke it.

The differences between England and the United States are growing quite naturally and so quickly that we shall desert from trying to increase them by our communality.

A genuine plant like this must be allowed to grow with the aid of natural rain and natural sun under God's free sky.



The Fuehrer continues to have the greatest admiration for the Japs.

They prepared everything secretly. We have now heard that Kurusu and Nomura negotiated in Washington without having the faintest idea what the Japanese war leaders were planning.

That's a good thing. When you are gambling for the existence of your own people you should employ all methods of a tricky and superior war strategy.

Our Ambassador in Moscow, Count von der Schulenburg, also hadn't the faintest idea that the Reich was determined to attack.

He kept insisting that our best policy would be to make Stalin our friend and ally. He also refused to believe that the Soviet Union was making tremendous military preparations against the Reich.

There is no doubt that one does best if one keeps the diplomats uninformed about the background of policies.

They must sometimes play a role for which they don't have the necessary theatrical abilities, and even if they did possess them, they would undoubtedly act an appeaser's role more convincingly than they are now.

Appeasement Role

Genuineness in playing an appeasement role is sometimes the most convincing argument for their political trustworthiness.

How stupidly diplomacy sometimes does these things was illustrated by the Fuehrer in an incident before the offensive in the West.

At that time there was at our legation in The Hague an obvious traitor, a certain attaché named von Prittwitz, who collaborated with the (British) Secret Service.

The attention of the legation was directed to this fact. The Minister thereupon very cleverly called the entire staff together, explained the situation, and thereby gave the traitor a chance to escape to England just in time.

With that kind of diplomacy you naturally can't steal horses! It is therefore better if the diplomats know nothing, neither a part nor the whole thing.

They will then do stupid things, to be sure, but they won't do any harm.

The weakness of diplomacy is its social ties. These can never be quite overcome, and one must therefore be conscious of this weakness when determining one's policies.

One must not stick to old methods that have long been outmoded but must conduct politics and war with modern methods.

The Danger

February 15: What I do personally continue to meet with general approval. My articles are having the greatest effect throughout the world.

The hundreds of thousands of foreign workers now employed in the Reich are a headache for the German Government. The danger exists that interaction between these workers and German women will cause a gradual deterioration of our race. This danger must be checked by every possible means.

But it is difficult to discuss such a question in public because the peoples and nations affected immediately take offence.

For example, the Italians fight tooth and nail against being regarded as racially inferior to, or even different from, our own.

Steyns-Inquart gave me a survey of the present situation in Holland.

The Dutchman's pigheadedness can't be beaten. Nevertheless I believe that further developments will improve sentiment toward us.

Sentiment in Paris is not hostile to us. However, the critical food situation does stand between us and the French people. If cultural propaganda is still the best propaganda we can make with the French, I shall therefore increase it even more.

It is, by the way, a significant thing that our front-line soldiers are always missionaries for German prestige.

The soldiers of the third and fourth line, however, i.e., the military bureaucracy, merely disgust a people that attaches such importance to personal bearing. But there isn't much we can do about it.

White Flag

February 16: Singapore this afternoon offered to capitulate after having fought desperately.

For the first time in this war the English are obliged to hoist the white flag in a dramatic style. It is a blow to English prestige.

A feeling of deep shame permeates the entire world Empire. They ought to thank Churchill for having brought England into such a mess.

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In wartime one should not

CARNIVAL

By Dick Turner



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BARCLAY ON BRIDGE

By SHEPARD BARCLAY

"THE AUTHORITY ON AUTHORITIES"

EMOTIONS ARE COSTLY

It can cost you plenty of points to let your emotions control you at the bridge table. If particular tactics by the opponents upset you and make you "see red," it is better to control yourself than take ill-considered action prompted by the way you feel at the moment.

In your opponents' learn that certain actions on their part, such as psychic bids or high preemptive calls, disturb your equilibrium, they are likely to take advantage of your weakness.

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H K 5 3
D 10 6 3
C A J 9 6

S Q J 9 5
H J 7 2
D 9 6
C K Q 8

S 4
H A Q 10
D 8 6 4
C D K J 4

S A K 10 8 2
H None
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C 6 4 3 2

(Dealer: East. Both sides vulnerable.)

East South West North

4 H A S Dbl

All players at the table—including himself—knew South

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bids do not pay. To back up his theory, he considers

when it is made against him, and is noted for making a practice

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East ordinarily follows the sound procedure of not making

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4-Hearts on this rubber deal?

(Dealer: South. Both sides vulnerable.)

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this time, with the pre-emptive hater at his left, and with ten tricks virtually sure in his own hand, he opened with the 4-Hearts to see what the bid would do to South.

The latter stuck his neck away out when he bid spades over that, and West cranked down with the hatchet. East, having more defensive values than his pre-emptive South's, was happy to pass.

The heart J lead was raised by South, who took in the spade A and K, then led the club 2. West split honours, putting in the Q, and the A won. Returning with the diamond A, South led the club 3, which the Q won. West consumed trumps with his Q and J, then led a heart, giving East the rest of the tricks with red cards. South was set five, for 1,400 points, much more than the value of the game. East could have scored if South had passed the 4-Hearts as almost any other good player would have done.

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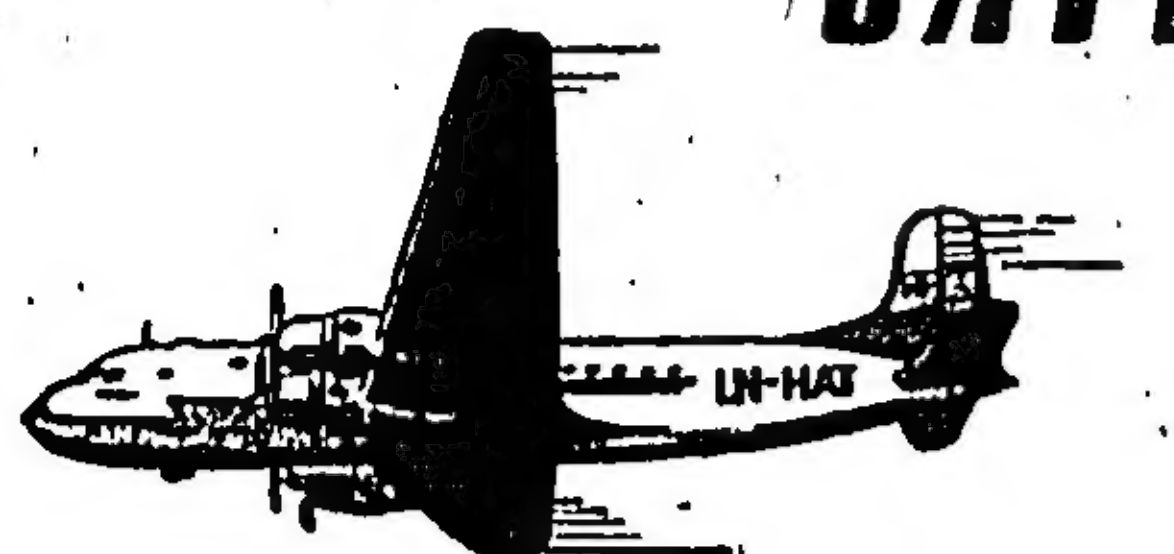
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JEWISH CONVOYS AMBUSHED

Arabs Take A Heavy Toll In Lives

Intervention By Palestine G.O.C.

Jerusalem, Mar. 24.
Twelve Jews were killed and 30 wounded when 200 Arab guerrillas ambushed a 60-vehicle Jewish convoy trying to run the Arab gauntlet between Tel Aviv and Jerusalem tonight. The column got to Bab El Wad, halfway between the two cities, when Arab mines blew up the first four armoured cars and snipers raked the lorries.

Late reports tonight said snipers from positions in the Judean hills were still holding up the column. Palestine's General Officer Commanding, Lieutenant General G.H.A. MacMillan, and Brigadier Glubb Pasha, commander of the Transjordan Arab Legion, intervened today with Arab guerrillas attacking a Jewish convoy to allow wounded Jews to be taken to hospital. It was learned tonight.

Second Ambush
Forty-two Jews were killed and 10 others wounded in this ambush near the Jewish settlement of Neve Yacob, a few miles outside Jerusalem. A Jewish armoured car and an armoured bus made up the convoy, which was on the Jerusalem to Nablus road. The reports said the Arabs, sweeping down in force, attacked the Jewish settlement of

There was more Arab mortar fire on the Jewish Yemen Moshe quarter of Jerusalem today. This was the background of action here to today's struggle over the Palestine issue, expected in the meeting of the United Nations Security Council at Lake Success.—Reuter.

PALESTINE PROPOSAL: DOUBTS IN COUNCIL

Lake Success, Mar. 24.

France and Canada today declared in the Security Council that they are not in a position "at this stage" to come out in support of the United States proposal for a trusteeship over Palestine.

M. Alexandre Parodi (France) suggested that the Security Council hold secret discussions to discuss detailed suggestions from the American delegation before deciding to call a session of the General Assembly.

General Andrew McNaughton (Canada) said: "In the circumstances, the Canadian delegation is not at the present stage prepared to declare itself in favour of one course of action rather than another until we have seen some evidence that there is a meeting of minds on the part of the countries most directly concerned on what the best course of action should be."

"There can be no doubt that the United States proposal for establishing a temporary trusteeship in Palestine presents difficulties which would have to be overcome," General McNaughton added. "It is possible that the proposal might be resisted by both elements of the population, despite the fact that a temporary trustee-

"SPY RING" CHARGES

Prague, Mar. 24.
Several former high officials of the Czech Ministry of Justice are to face charges relating to the discovery last November of a spy ring at Most, a mining town in northwest Bohemia, the Ministry of the Interior announced today. They will be charged with "abuse of authority." Investigations had proved, the Ministry statement said, that the central figure, M. Frantisek Belohlav, had been a spy in foreign service and had been sent to Czechoslovakia where he had organised a "ring" from serving and reserve army officers.—Reuter.

Plan To Entice Visitors

London, Mar. 25.
The President of the Board of Trade, Mr. Harold Wilson, disclosed to Parliament today a plan to let foreign visitors spend money for clothes in Britain without worrying about coupons.

They will also get extra petrol if they bring an automobile or buy a new one here to take home with them. Both schemes become effective on May 1 and will operate for an undefined "experimental period" as a test to see whether they will draw more foreign tourists to the country and whether the tourists will help Britain's export drive by exchanging and using more foreign currency here.

Wilson said "tourist voucher books" allowing visitors to make six ration free purchases of such articles as suits, dress lengths or shoes. If the tourist will present his foreign passport and convert enough of his own country's currency to equal £25.

"I am satisfied," Wilson said, "that overseas visitors will in this way be able to buy reasonable quantities of goods they want and that it will enable retail traders to make a contribution to the export drive."

The visitors will still have to pay purchase tax which ranges from 25 percent on most clothing articles and up to 125 percent on highest grade fur coats. If the six items are not enough the tourist may use the personal export scheme under which a tailor will sell a garment free of both coupons and purchase tax if it is to be sent straight out of the country without passing through the buyer's hands.—Associated Press.

New Food System For Army

London, Mar. 24.
Britain will save roughly US\$5,000,000 of her scarce dollars by using less food from dollar countries for her armed forces overseas.

Announcing this economy to the House of Commons today, Defence Minister V. Alexander said the "Forces' daily 1,400 calories ration would be kept up by more food purchases from soft currency countries. The switch, he said, was in line with similar action taken by the Government recently for civilian rations in Britain. Gradual cuts are being made in food bought from dollar countries for domestic use. All British Army, Navy and Air stations abroad will be affected by the change except in Palestine, Mr. Alexander said. There, in view of the exceptional conditions, the present rations will be maintained.—Associated Press.

BANK STRIKE IN ARGENTINE

Buenos Aires, Mar. 25.
All bank workers in Buenos Aires struck work today halting commercial activity in the city.

The Bank of London and South America and the National City Bank of New York were affected. The lightning strike followed a midday incident in the Plaza de Mayo, where police dispersed bank employees demonstrating for increased wages. One worker was injured. When the banks opened today, most employees went to their desks and folded their arms. The strike movement quickly became general and the Government-controlled Central Bank appeared to be the only one not affected.—Reuter.

MISSING SHIP MYSTERY

London, Mar. 24.
Fifty-one days ago the Liberty ship Samkey bound for Cuba from London radioed that she was north of the Azores. Nothing has been heard of her since. Last night Lloyd's officially posted the 7,212-ton ship, with a crew of 45 on board as missing. The Samkey is owned by the New Zealand Shipping Company. An extensive search gave no clue to the mystery of the vessel's disappearance.—Associated Press.

AIR RECRUITS WANTED

Washington, Mar. 24.
The United States Air Force, reversing the policy declared a week ago, announced today that it would seek 25,000 more men. On March 16 the service said that it had 512,000 men in the ranks and would not accept any more enlistments, except as replacements, for those leaving the service.—Reuter.

Austria Against A Separate Treaty

London, Mar. 25.

The Austrian Foreign Minister, Dr. Karl Gruber, at a press conference here today denied reports that Austria would welcome a separate treaty with the Western Powers. "A one-sided withdrawal of troops would be absolutely senseless," Dr. Gruber declared.

He said that he thought the deputies of the Big Four Foreign Ministers, who are working on the Austrian treaty had

made no progress in the last four or five weeks.

Dr. Gruber is returning home tomorrow after a number of weeks here to be at hand during the Deputies' discussions. He said that he would probably come back if there were any sign of quick results from the Deputies' talks.

Dr. Gruber said that he regretted that the Soviet Union took the view that Austria should get her arms from her own production, exclusively. "Austria must have a free choice to buy arms where she can get them," he declared.

Austria had nothing to worry about once the occupation forces had withdrawn, provided that she could organise her own army and police. She was internally strong, with a two-party coalition, representing 95 per cent of her population.

Free Democracy

"We are determined to carry on a free democracy in Austria and no one will force us from this position. No Communists will be allowed to achieve power except to the extent that he is entitled to by the number of votes cast in his favour."

Dr. Gruber said that his Government was satisfied with the agreement under which the formerly Austrian South Tyrol was to have autonomy within Italy.

A big step forward had been taken there, though there still was room for improvement. There was no reason to negotiate with Yugoslavia over Yugoslav territorial claims in the Austrian province of Carinthia, he said. The present border had always been the Austrian border and would remain so.—Reuter.

M.P.s Ask Big 3 Meeting

London, Mar. 24.

Sixteen Members of Parliament tonight tabled a motion calling for "an early meeting" between Marshal Stalin, if possible, President Truman, the Prime Minister, Mr. Clement Attlee, and leading representatives of the British Commonwealth, such as Field-Marshal Jan Smuts and Lord Mountbatten, Governor-General of India.

The motion is in the name of Mr. Seymour Cocks, a Labour Member, and among the other Labour Members supporting him is Mr. Richard Crossman, the prominent left-wing intellectual. Their motion "views with dismay the rapidly deteriorating political position in Europe" and welcomes the statement of Field-Marshal Smuts last Friday that a new effort should be made to reach an understanding with the Soviet Union.—Reuter.

CZECH ENVOY RESIGNS

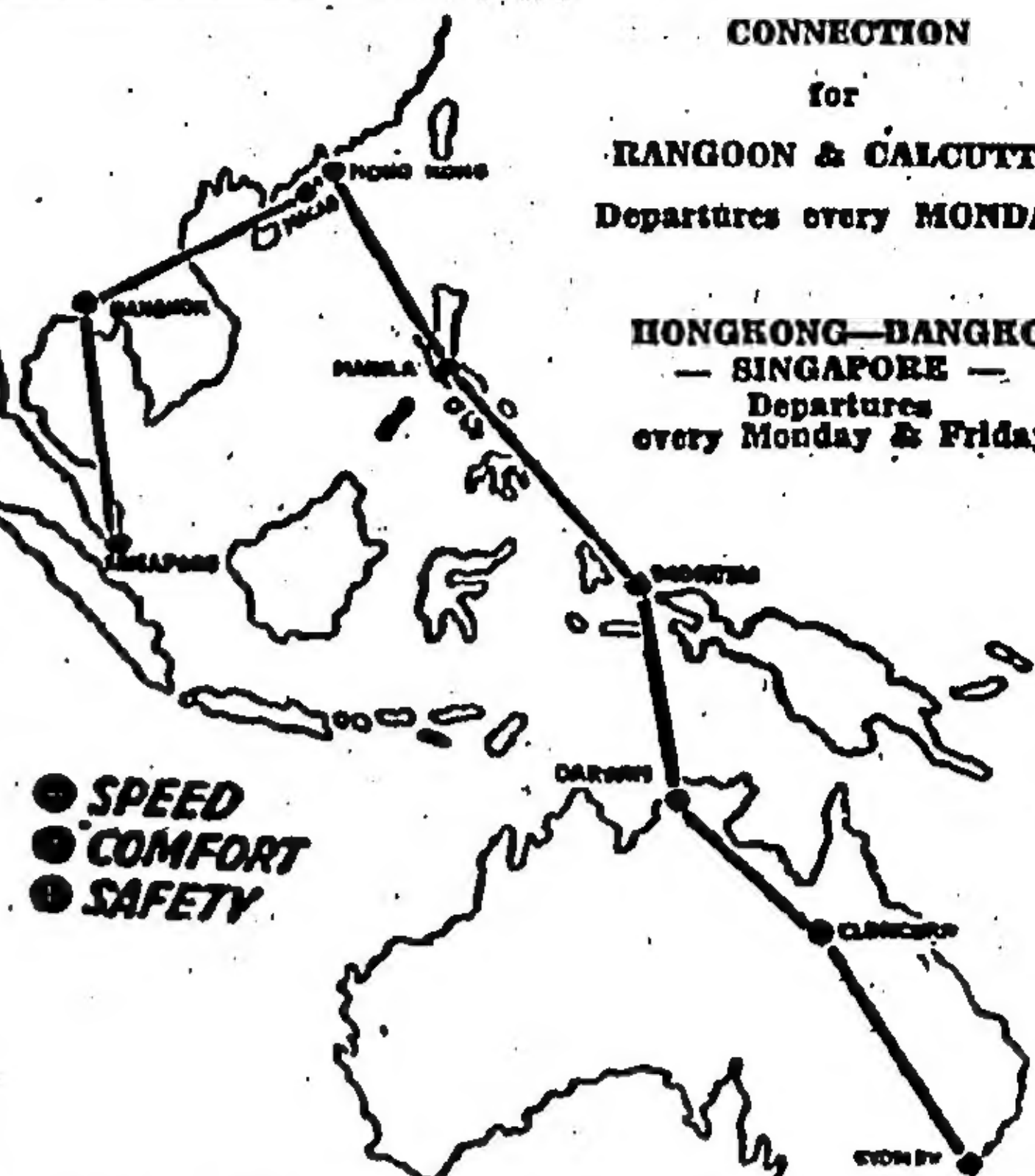
Paris, Mar. 24.
M. Jindrich Nosek, Czechoslovak Ambassador to France, has informed the French Government that he cannot continue to represent Czechoslovakia abroad following the recent political crisis there. "M. Nosek gave no reason for his resignation," a French Foreign Office spokesman told Reuter this afternoon.—Reuter.

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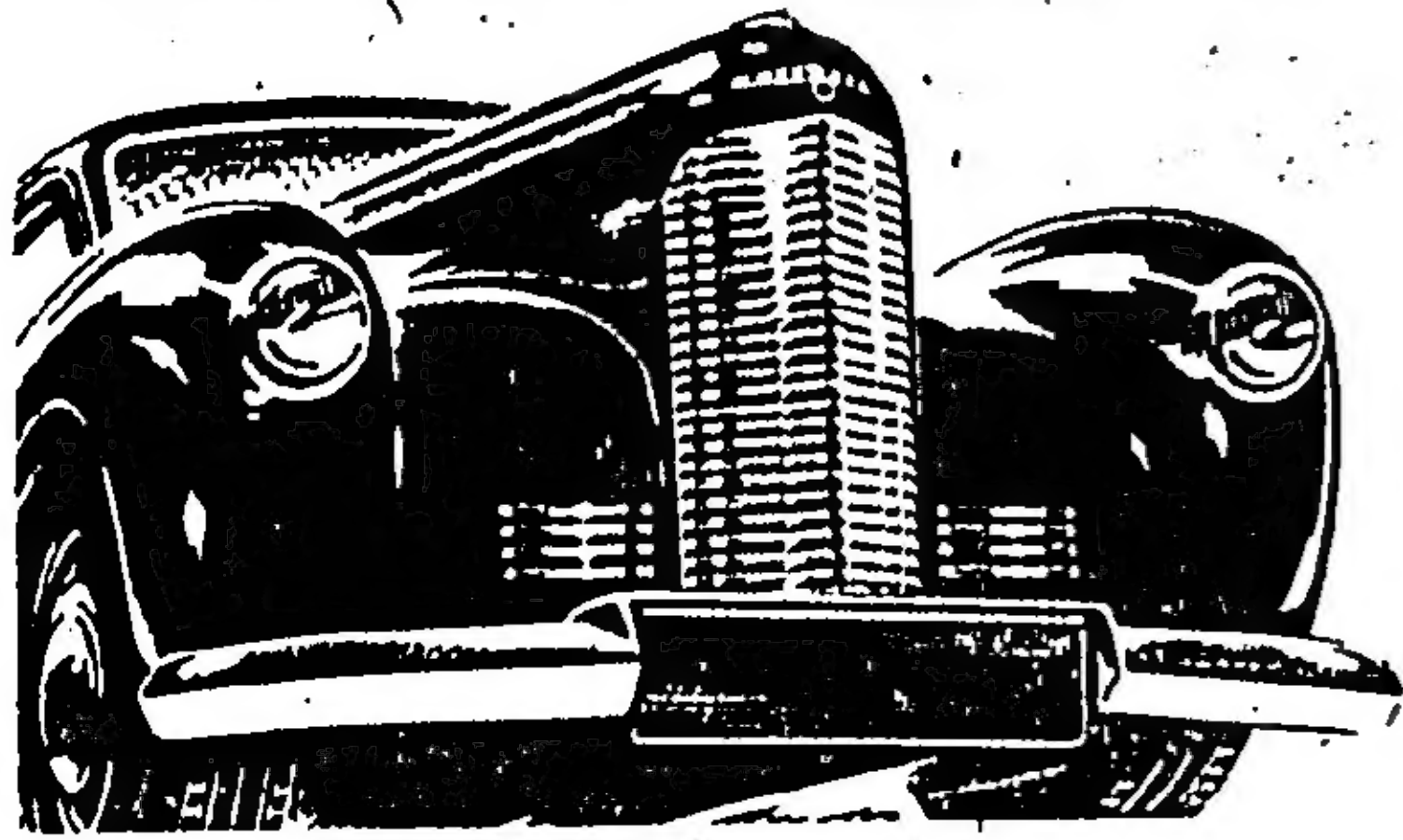
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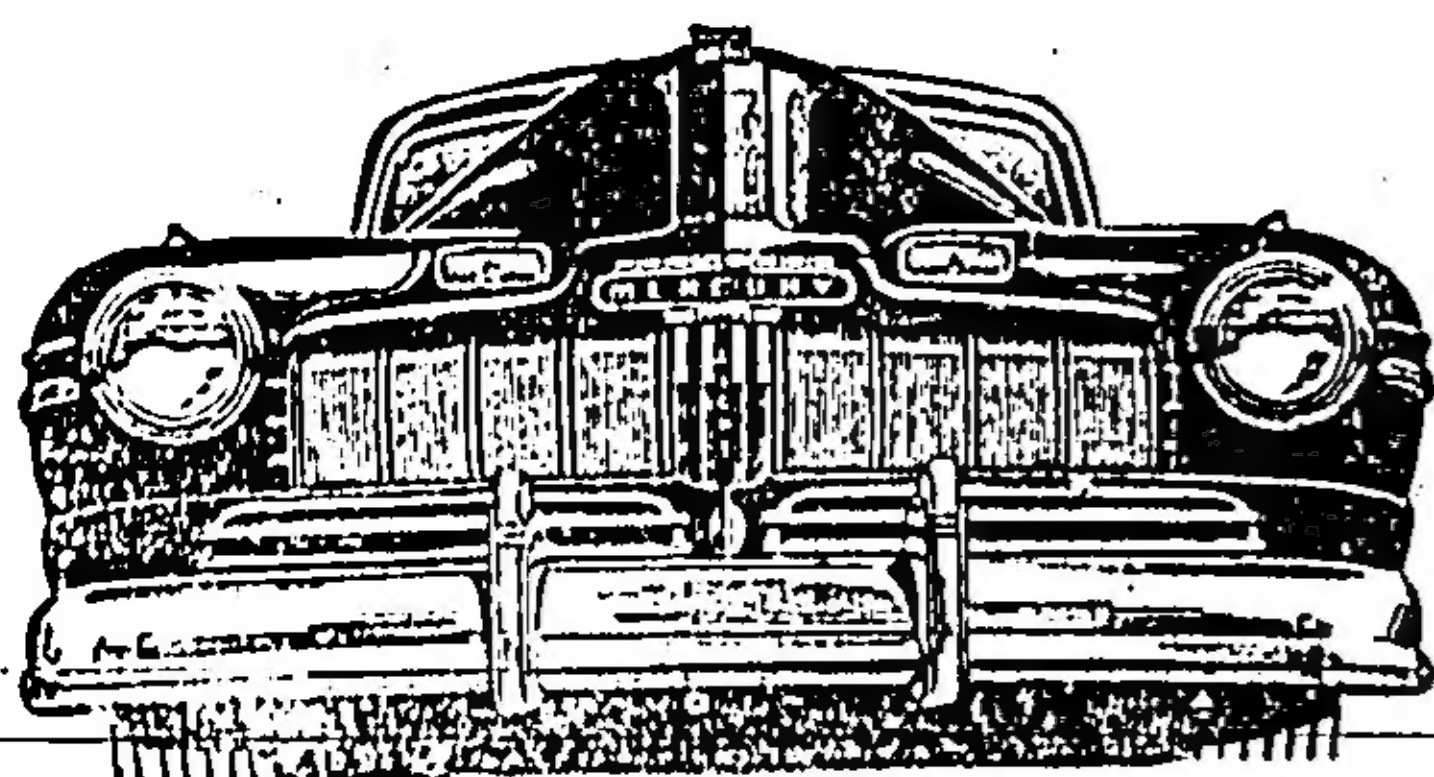
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Take Rolls-Royce first of all.
The name, of course, is a com-
bination of that of one of our
early racing pioneers, the Hon.
C. S. Rolls, with that of the
equally famous engineer, Sir
Henry Royce. The badge carried
on the radiator cap was the re-
sult of a discussion between
Claude Johnson, who was manag-
ing director of Rolls-Royce, and
Charles Sykes, a Royal Aca-
demician, about the design of a
Rolls-Royce emblem fitting and
suitable for the car. There the
matter rested until Sykes, trav-
elling with Lord Montagu of
Beaulieu, was so impressed with
the car's smooth running that he
suggested that a fair could ride on
it without losing his balance,
from which, suddenly, came the
idea of the badge, to be called
"The Spirit of Ecstasy," com-
pleted in 1911.

Though most people do not
realize it, there were two forms
of this little statuette, the second
with the figure kneeling, which
was produced in 1934. There
was also a much larger version,
22in high in fact, made in
bronze, which has been displayed
in various showrooms all over
the world. The figure somehow
expresses exactly the spirit of
everything which goes to make
the Rolls-Royce car.

Only One Way

That is only one way in which
the evolution of a badge became
complete. Take the Standard,
for example. The reason why
the car was called Standard is
lost in the mists of time, but its
name immediately suggested its
badge, and therein lies a certain
amount of trouble and misunder-
standing. Correctly speaking, a
standard was the pole with lat-
tice work, which has been displayed
in various showrooms all over
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A Fantasy

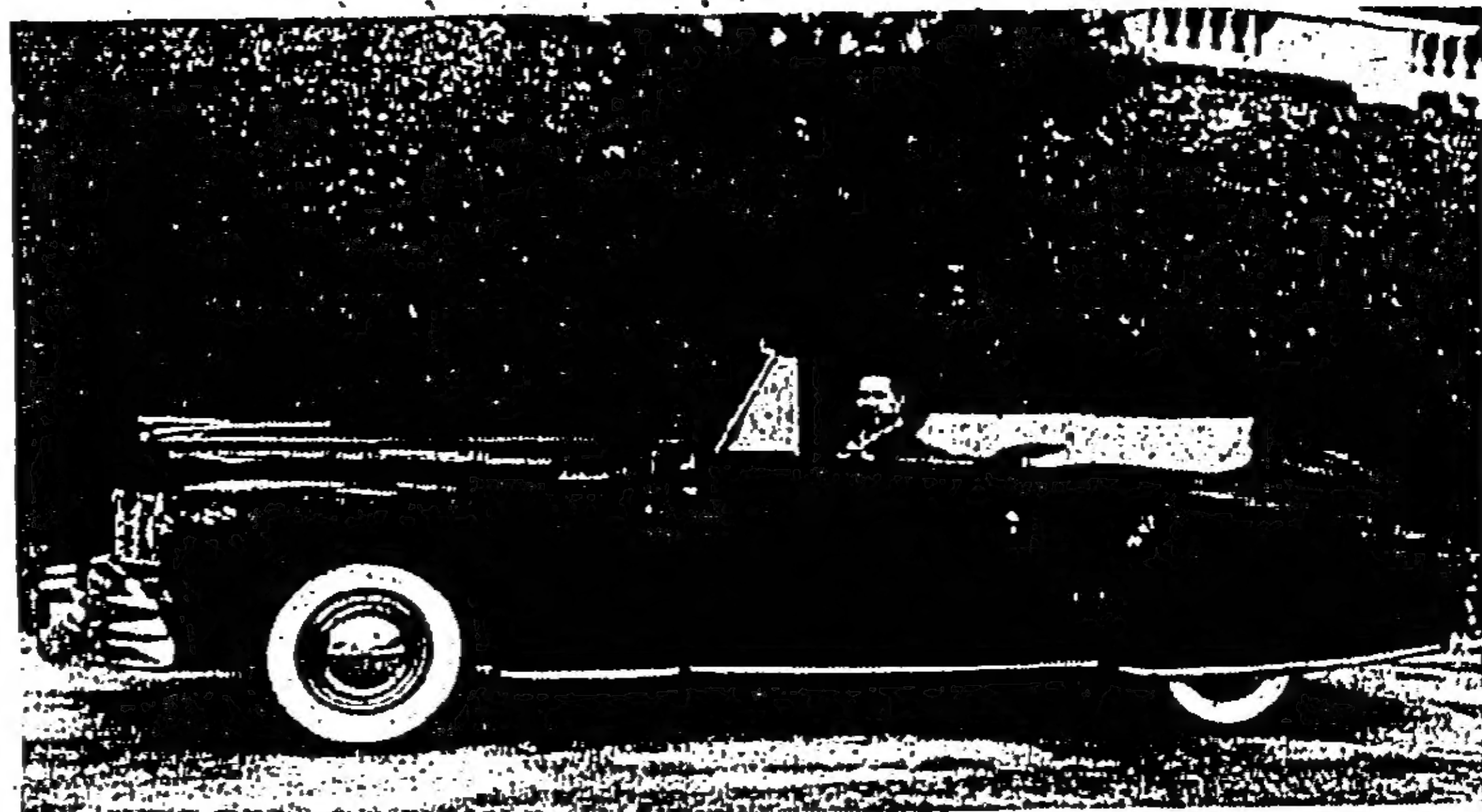
Fortunately, the flag is depicted
the right way up, which re-
minds one that some years ago
a Viking was body-thrust the R.A.C.
produced a most extraordinary
fantasy at the back of their club
badge which investigation revealed
to be merely the centre por-
tion of the Union flag portrayed
in a disc and therefore so odd as
to be unrecognizable. For this
reason it was hastily changed.
However, owing their name to the
Viking described as a Sea Rover;
on this being told to Harry
Smith, the Rover chief of the
time, a badge with the head of
a Viking was promptly evolved
for the car, and this in turn has
given way to an idea of Dudley
Noble's, so that the modern badge
shows the front view of a Viking
long ship, made up as a radiator
badge.

Then there has been a great
deal of controversy about the
origin of the name Lagonda.
Years ago a fervid enthusiast
by name Wilbur Gunn was the
creator of the three-wheel ma-
chine which he gave the name of
Lagonda, and many years after-
wards it was found that Lagon-
da, in fact, was the name of a
creek on the Ohio, where a very
small Wilbur Gunn had wonder-
ful adventures in imagination.
And so it came that one of the
latest British cars bears the name
of a remote spot in the United
States.

Then take the famed Austin
As on many cars, wings are the
foundation of the badge, for
wings were adopted as giving
the spirit of moving long be-
fore aircraft became a practical
and accomplished fact. The
badge as it is today consists of

two wings mounted above a wheel
and tyre, with a steering column
and steering wheel above. It
was not always like that, for
when Sir Herbert Austin designed
the badge, it consisted simply
and in a way more appropriately,
of a wheel seen and on with two
wings above and certain orna-
ment below. That was in 1906.
In 1907 the steering wheel was
added and what appeared to be
a pair of hub spindles, rather on
the lines of Roadster's chassis
gear equipment. 1930 saw fur-
ther revision of the badge, but
much on the same lines, the orna-
ment below becoming a cloud of
dust, while the latest model of
all has become more rigid, more
mechanical, if one may use the
phrase, though still showing its
origin.

That, by the way, is more than
can be said for some badges.



Ex-Emperor Bao Dai of Indo-China in his new Black Lincoln Continental Cabriolet
just delivered by the local Ford-Lincoln-Mercury dealers, Messrs. Harper & Shea. This is
the first car of its type in use in Hong Kong and is one of not more than half dozen in
the whole of the Far East.

Ultra-low lines with smartly tapered rear deck and protected exterior spare tyre
mounting give the Continental a dashing appearance uniquely its own. Designed by the
late Edsel Ford, its low silhouette, firmly drawn fenders and compact rear deck give the
Lincoln a sleek, distinctive appearance. The Ex-Emperor's Continental is equipped with hy-
draulic lifts for the top, push-button lock and window controls, automatic cigar lighters,
two-wave radio, electric clock, heater, plastic steering wheel, ultra-modern instrument
panel and other accessories to meet every need of the motorist.

Grant To Glasgow By Nuffield's

The Nuffield Foundation has
made a grant to Glasgow Uni-
versity to allow the construc-
tion of a 300,000,000-volt syn-
chrotron for nuclear investiga-
tion. This generous donation
is only one of the many grant-
ed by the Nuffield Foundation
towards cultural and research
progress in Britain. Among
the scientific problems receiv-
ing support from the Founda-
tion is research on occupational
diseases connected with mining,
shipbuilding and agriculture.
The Nuffield Foundation so far
has expended £1,182,250 on
scientific research, including
£299,430 during the last finan-
cial year alone, April 1, 1946
—March 31, 1947.

Following the revised taxa-
tion announced for new cars,
and in order to concentrate pro-
duction, Vauxhall Motors Ltd.
have announced that they are to
discontinue production of the
Ten. Only two models will be
made—the 12 hp. 4-cylinder
and the 14 hp. six-cylinder.
The company has no intention
of resuming production of the
pre-war 25 hp. model.

To Defeat Dazzle

An appeal to drivers to co-
operate in implementing the
dazzle recommendations con-
tained in an interim report of the Road
Research Board, Department of
Scientific and Industrial Re-
search, was made by the Ministry
of Transport this week.
The Ministry says that head
lamps should be set so that the
horizontal beam of light should
be adjusted so that the maximum
intensity of the beam is dipped at
least three degrees below the
horizontal, which amounts to a
twelve-inch dip at a distance of
100 ft from the lamp. Neither
head lamps nor pass lamps should
point to the right.
Low-mounted pass and fog
lamps should point to the left,
and fog lamps should be adjust-
ed in the same way as pass
lamps. If lamps have front
glass with flutings intended to
be vertical, make sure that the
flutings do not appear to be
tilted from the bottom left to
the top right when viewed from
the front. Head lamps not higher
than 3 ft 6 in, and preferably not
lower than 2 ft 6 in from the
ground.
The report recommends the
total prohibition of the use of
lamps with centres less than 2 ft

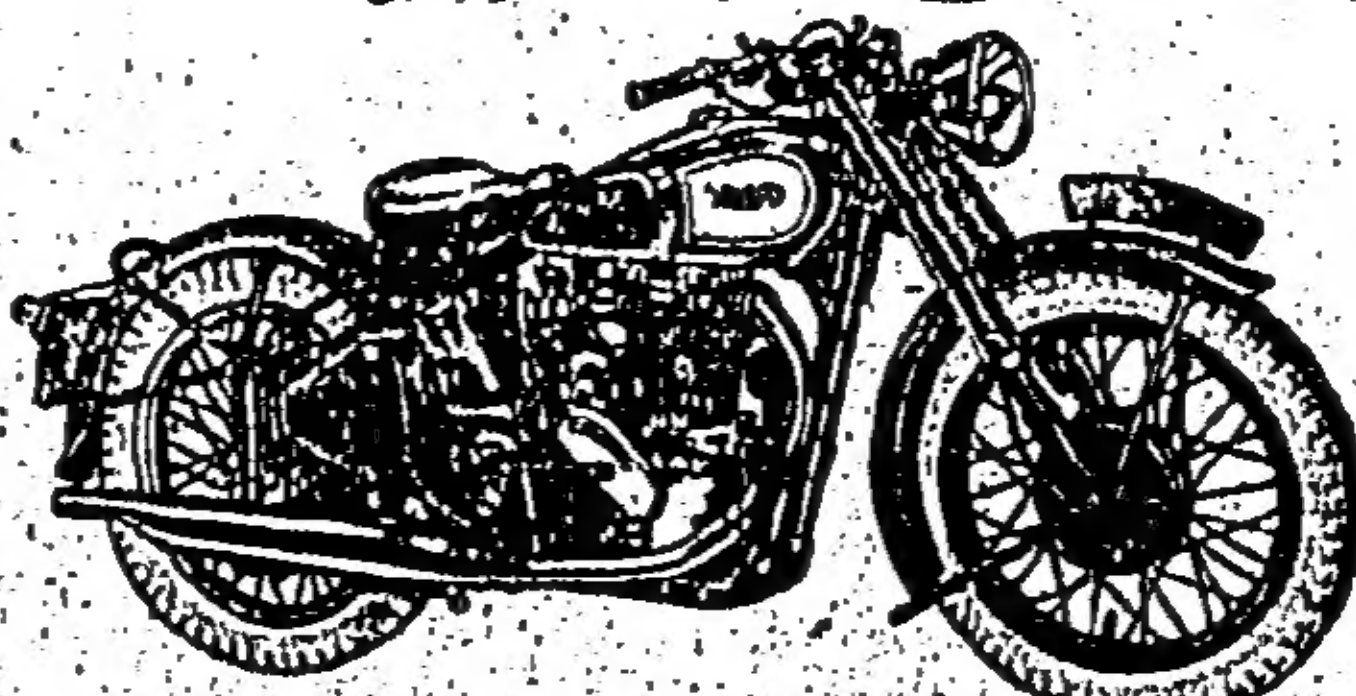
Treatment For Icy Roads

Slippery roads covered with ice or
snow are a terror, not only to
pedestrians, but also to local au-
thorities, who have to keep the roads
in serviceable condition. His
Majesty's Stationery Office has now
published an interesting brochure on
"Chemical Treatment for Icy Roads."
It gives many useful hints on keep-
ing icy roads serviceable by the use
of chemicals.
The brochure gives detailed
instructions as to the type of chemical
which should be used for each type
of surface, and states the combina-
tion or solution in which they are
harmless.
The chemical ingredients recom-
mended are poured or sprinkled on
the surface of the snow or ice, and
combine with the frozen surface to
form a solution, with a freezing-
point below that of water.

from the ground except in fog
and snow.
These recommendations arise
from the statistics given by Dr.
W. H. Glanville, D.S.I.R.'s direc-
tor of research, and discussed in
an article entitled "Defeating the
Dazzle" in the issue of No-
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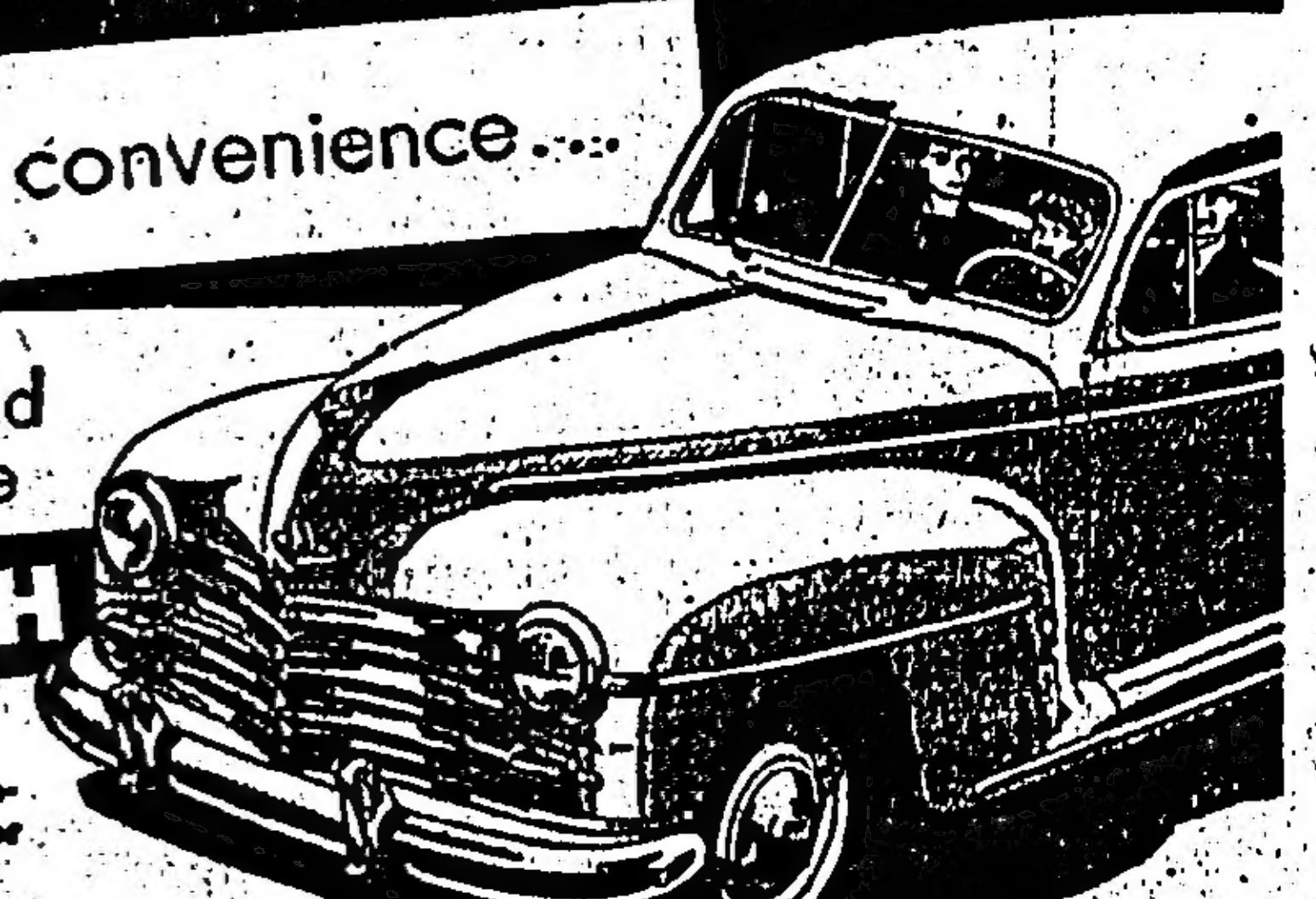
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Saturday 27th, and Monday 29th March, 1948.

The First Bell will be rung at 11.30 a.m. and the first race will be run at 12 noon each day. The tiffin interval is after the fourth race (1.30 p.m.).

Through numbers (24-Races-348) may be obtained at the Office of the Treasurers, 1st floor, Exchange Building, also tickets for the special Cash Sweep on the last race of the second day as well as those for the "Lantau Handicap" to be run at the Whitson Meeting in May, 1948. The latter may also be purchased at the Club's Branch Office, No. 382 Nathan Road, Kowloon. The Treasurers' Comptroller Office will be open from 9.00 a.m. to 5.00 p.m. on Friday, 26th March, for the sale of Cash Sweep tickets.

MEMBERS' BADGES AND ENCLOSURE.
Members and guests are reminded that they and their ladies MUST wear their badges PROMINENTLY DISPLAYED throughout the Meeting.

NO ONE WITHOUT A BADGE WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE.

Badges admitting non-members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at \$10 including tax are obtainable through the Secretary upon the written or personal introduction of a Member, such Member to be responsible for all chits etc. Badges admitting to Members' Enclosure will NOT be on sale at the RACE COURSE.

The Treasurers' Comptroller Office and the Secretary's Office will close at 10.00 a.m. each day. Both Offices at 1st floor, Exchange Building.

A limited number of tiffins will be obtainable at the Club House, provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Bay (Tel. 27818).

NO CHILDREN WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE CLUB'S PREMISES DURING THE MEETING.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE.
The price of admission to the Public Enclosure is \$3 each day including tax for all persons including ladies, and is payable at the Gate.

Bookmakers, Tie Men, etc. will not be permitted to operate within the precincts of The Hong Kong Jockey Club during the Race Meeting.

Refreshments will be obtainable in the Restaurant in the Public Enclosure.

SERVANTS' PASSES
Servants' passes will be issued to Private Box holders ONLY who are requested to distribute them with discrimination and to endorse their names on the passes. Holders of such passes are not permitted in the Members' Enclosure except for passing through on their duties but must remain in their employers' stands.

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SENSATIONAL DISCLOSURES OF COMMUNIST ACTIVITIES SHANGHAI RAID ON SECRET H.Q.

Shanghai, Mar. 25.
Sensational disclosures of the activities of Communist elements in Shanghai and the lower Yangtze region were made at a joint press conference last night by Mayor K. C. Wu and Lieutenant-General Hsuan Ti-wu, Commander of the Shanghai Garrison.
Lightning raids by members of the Garrison on a secret Communist headquarters resulted in the arrest of 40 major suspects and the discovery of a large quantity of printed evidence, it was revealed.

A list of names of all those who participated in recent labour disturbances was found among the evidence unearthed at the secret centre.

"General Gordon's Tale Of Woe"

San Francisco, Mar. 24.
The liner General Gordon docked today 21 days out of Shanghai with a log crammed full of trouble.

The first day out of Manila a woman leaped overboard with her four-month-old son.

A ship's officer was detained by customs in Honolulu for investigation of smuggling.

Four appendix operations were performed on crew members in five days. Two babies were delivered. One, born prematurely, died.

Five stowaways were discovered after the ship left Manila.

The woman who leapt overboard was Mrs. Roy A. Wilson, wife of a ship's officer who worked for Army Transportation Service in the Philippines. They were returning home from the islands.

Wilson said, "My wife was highly nervous. She was worked up about her other child (by a previous marriage) who had to remain in the Philippines. The baby was recovered. The mother was not."—Associated Press.

Dutch Army Increase

The Hague, Mar. 24.
The Dutch Army will be reinforced shortly by volunteers to assist in maintaining peace and order in cases of emergency, it was announced on Wednesday.

They will be picked from loyal Dutchmen under 55 years of age who have had more than six months military training.

They will be organized in a "National Reserve" and a "reserve frontier guard." Last week the Government announced the strengthening of the police force by volunteers.—Associated Press.

"Most Menacing" Position Since War

London, Mar. 25.
Recent events in Czechoslovakia are the "most menacing" Britain has faced since the end of the war, Mr. Christopher Mayhew, Parliamentary Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, declared here today.

Addressing the Foreign Press Association, Mr. Mayhew said: "They mark the final consolidation of Soviet Power over Eastern Europe and bring home to all of us the great dangers in which we ourselves stand in the face of the Communist subversive tactics."

He said the Prime Minister, Mr. Clement Attlee, had recognized the danger to security if highly confidential posts were occupied by Communists and "yellow travellers."

"I believe the country is almost unanimously behind the Prime Minister on this issue. Democracy can be too tolerant of its enemies. Just because we are democrats, we do not have to lie down and get trampled on."

Mr. Mayhew declared: "I believe that whether or not we can meet the challenge of Soviet Communism depends in the long run, less on the defensive measures we may take than on our powers to rally loyalty and enthusiasm for our positive ideals."

"The final answer to Communism is the success of democracy."

An enduring settlement with Russia might be reached more rapidly if "we concentrate our efforts on building up the strength of democracy in the West until any hopes that Western democracy can be subverted finally disappear and a basis can be laid for more normal relations between Government in Russia and

In order to forestall any Communist attempt at creating counter-plots because of the discovery, Mayor Wu said, responsible representatives from various people's organisations will be invited to the City Government this afternoon to view the large amount of evidence substantiating the arrests.

All those arrested will be dealt with according to emergency laws on endangering the Republic during the bandit suppression period, the Mayor said.

Sometime last week, according to Mayor Wu and General Hsuan, a Communist agent gave himself up to the Garrison authorities. This information led to the discovery of the big hide-out of Communist underground agents.

Under Control

Among the evidence seized were plans for sabotaging utility plants and important buildings and for creating general disturbances during the time of the National Assembly meeting, reports of past strikes and similar disturbances and lists of names in numbers and codes.

The plots were intended to be carried out towards the end of March and during April and May, said General Hsuan, who denied rumours that the Reds had crossed the lower Yangtze River.

The General further remarked that the situation both in and around Shanghai was under the control of the Security authorities and that the public may have no fear of Communist disturbances.

It is learned that arrests are continuing mainly among the labour class.—Reuter.

KING'S PILOT'S FLIGHT

London, Mar. 24.
An aircraft of the King's Flight will leave London on Friday morning to take Air Commodore E. H. Fielden, Captain of the King's Flight, to inspect airfields in Australia and New Zealand likely to be used during the Royal tour early next year.

The aircraft, a Viking, will fly via Malta, Nicosia, Habbaniya, Sharjah (Arabia), Karachi, Delhi, Calcutta, Mingaladon, Singapore and Sourabaya to Darwin, Australia, where it is due on Wednesday, March 31.—Reuter.

POPE'S EASTER BLESSING

Vatican City, Mar. 24.
Pope Pius' Easter blessing, to be delivered from the balcony of St. Peter's at noon (10 GMT) on Easter Sunday, will be broadcast, the Vatican announced.
Vatican short-wave stations on 19.57 and 31.06 metres and the medium wave transmitter on 222 metres will carry the traditional "Urbi et orbi" (For the city and for the world) message and stations of the Italian radio network will rebroadcast it.—Associated Press.

CONSCRIPTION PRECAUTION

Shanghai, Mar. 25.
Only the names of a small portion of the youths conscripted for this year under the lot drawing earlier this week were announced yesterday for fear that the draftees might attempt to evade service.

In all 266 names from only one district were made public in order, in the words of one Chinese paper, "to test the effects of the announcement."

All the draftees must report to headquarters on April 1.—Reuter.

COURT SITS AT SEA

At sea off Haifa, Mar. 24.
Three British police constables were sentenced to 10 years imprisonment here today for the unauthorised carrying of firearms and ammunition and to seven years for the unauthorised possession of a police armoured car, both sentences to run concurrently with special treatment.

The military court, in the Liberty ship Ocean Vigour, also sentenced an Arab constable, charged with the British, to seven and three years concurrently.

All four constables were found not guilty of firing on a Jewish colony north of Jerusalem on March 10. The sentences are subject to confirmation by the General Officer Commanding in Palestine.

During the trial, which began on Monday and was the first of its kind to be held on board a ship, strict security was enforced by the Marines guarding the ship and harbour entrances. The trial took place on board the ship for security reasons.—Reuter.

Ideological War At Geneva

Geneva, Mar. 24.
A demand, that all those who control organs of information should be legally responsible for any "calumnies, lies and incitements to war" they publish, came today from the Yugoslav delegation to the United Nations conference on freedom of information and of the press here.

In a statement, which might be the opening broadside in the ideological battle expected at the conference, the Yugoslav delegation declared: "The press, and other means of information, have become, in many countries, a big capitalist and monopolist industry in the hands of a few, whose interests they serve."

"A typical example is provided by the United States. Groups of American monopolists, with enormous material means at their disposal, are succeeding by their omnipotence in preventing a free press."

It was learned today that Britain will submit to the 56 countries definite proposals for securing freedom of information.

The delegates formed four committees today to work on different aspects of the problem.

Huxley Scheme

The main clashes between opposing conceptions of freedom will take place in these committees, the conference having today rejected a Soviet proposal that the general discussion should be held in a plenary session.

Appealing to the conference to leave aside theory and ideology and tackle practical problems, Professor Julian Huxley, Director-General of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation, suggested four "essentials":

- 1.—Prevention of material means of communication being concentrated in monopolies.
- 2.—Equal availability of material and technical means of communication.
- 3.—Sharing of technical processes in communication systems.
- 4.—A sense of responsibility in those who use modern communication media.

Soviet Lose

The conference directing committee today rejected a Soviet proposal to remove from the agenda these three items:

- 1.—The drafting of a charter of rights and obligations of the press.
- 2.—The possible establishment of machinery to promote the free flow of true information.
- 3.—Problems involved in the establishment of Governmental and semi-Governmental information services for making information available in other countries.—Reuter.

SEEKING PEACE

Jerusalem, Mar. 24.
Hopes that normal Easter religious ceremonies will be held in the Old City of Jerusalem this year were expressed by a Government spokesman here today. He said negotiations were still going on. "We are seeking peace," he said.—Reuter.

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CINEMA WORLD

DANNY KAYE ELECTRIFIES LONDON AUDIENCES

Two hours before Danny Kaye, the lanky, tow-headed young American, hung up his blue dressing-gown to leave the London Palladium after his electrifying impact on a British audience dozens of fans grouped round the stage door ready to mob him.

Inside the theatre this punning Pienase who works in sound and contortions, had virtually hypnotised 6,000 people in two hours relays into stinging, croaking, and bubbling in a language they had never heard.

The Marquess of Milford Haven, best man at the wedding of Princess Elizabeth and the Duke of Edinburgh, paid a last-minute 3s. to stand in a puffed circle to howl with the throng. Later he spent half an hour with the Wonder Man in his dressing-room.

And on the stage the young man jumped and jibbered. His neck jammed fast in a Balinese contortion dance; he struggled manfully with the German and Bolivian languages; he became a little girl at the zoo, an opera-

tic tenor. His hands sang and his face talked. "Reet be diddle de doo ree bo day," he howled—or something like it. His audience repeated "word for word."

Somewhat he wasn't on the stage at all. He was audience and performer in one.

His secret? Even he scarcely knows it. You would get something of the effect in a dream Kaye reduces life to the nonsense he feels underlies all of it.

To Kaye the "credits" on a Hollywood film run like this: "Screen play by Gluck from a stage play by Motz from a story by Blip from a chapter by Rank from a sentence by Stokes from a comma by Stokes from an idea by Croker, based on Joe Miller's jokes."

And then at top speed—"Up-holstery by Zackery, knick-knackery by Thackery, terphore by Hickory and Dickory by Dock."

"I don't know what happens," he confessed afterwards. "The gibberish comes out different every time though I try to work to a kind of pattern. I don't know what the secret is. Maybe it's that I get the feeling over that the audience are invited to a party."

He worked his talking hands for me. They are those of a man who wanted to be a doctor and whose hobby is watching operations.

Maurice Wiltshire.

The interior of the house in "Mr. Blandings Builds His Dream House" is an exact duplicate of the suburban home of Myrna Loy who co-stars with Cary Grant in this film.

A Philadelphia publisher is to publish Claire Trevor's charcoal drawings under the title, "Claire Trevor's Hollywood Sketches of Rosalind Russell, Leo Genn and Sydney Greenstreet."



Danny Kaye, as he appears in "Mitty" which is coming shortly to the Kings



Loretta Young, who gained the Academy Award for the best acting of the year for her performance in "The Farmer's Daughter." Here she is seen in a still from the film, which had a big success on its showing this week.

-- SHADOWS BEFORE --

CALIFORNIA (Queen's and Alhambra). Stars: Ray Milland, Barbara Stanwyck and Barry Fitzgerald.

Story: Of covered wagon days, gold mining boom towns, gaudy saloons, with Miss Stanwyck as a beautiful mercenary gambler and alleged home-wrecker, who has her ups and downs.

It provides Ray Milland with an opportunity to demonstrate the versatility of his talent, and Barry Fitzgerald also gives a brilliant performance, and it is embellished by some stirring outdoor colour photography. And Barbara Stanwyck sings.

SHADOW OF A WOMAN (Lee). Stars: Helmut Dantine and Andrea King.

Story: Of a dashing, but sinister doctor, who marries the heroine after a five-day courtship, and is then gradually exposed for a calculated murderer. Pure melodrama, but expertly worked-out to maintain the suspense and bring out the full value of the climax.

FOREVER AMBER (King's). Stars: Linda Darnell, Cornell Wilde, Richard Greene, and George Sanders.

Story: From one of the old-fashioned books in years, which most people have read, of a country girl who eludes and schemes throughout, her to attain the one man who genuinely attracted her. Cornell Wilde plays Bruce Carlton, Richard Greene fills the role of Lord Almsbury, and George Sanders makes a brilliant King Charles II.

RED STALLION (Lee). Stars: Robert Paige, Norcen Nash and Ted Donaldson.

Story: Of a boy and a horse, filmed in Northern Cal.

Fifteen Year Old's Role

Neil North, a fifteen-year-old boy with no previous film experience, has been chosen for one of the most important roles of the year. He will play the title part in "The Winslow Boy," adapted from Terence Rattigan's successful play, which Anthony Asquith is directing for London Film Productions. Neil was born in Quetta, India, and travelled about there; and in Australia, until he was eight years old. In England he went to the King's School, Canterbury and, while there, he appeared in the Cathedral play, "The Poasant's" in 1947. He finished his schooling in Switzerland. Like most boys, he is keen on tennis, swimming and reading adventure stories. He also has the unusual hobby of collecting old snuff-boxes. Other leading parts in "The Winslow Boy" are taken by Robert Donat (as the King's Counsel) and Sir Cedric Hardwicke as the boy's father.

SECRET LIFE OF WALTER MITTY (King's).

Stars: Danny Kaye and Virginia Mayo.

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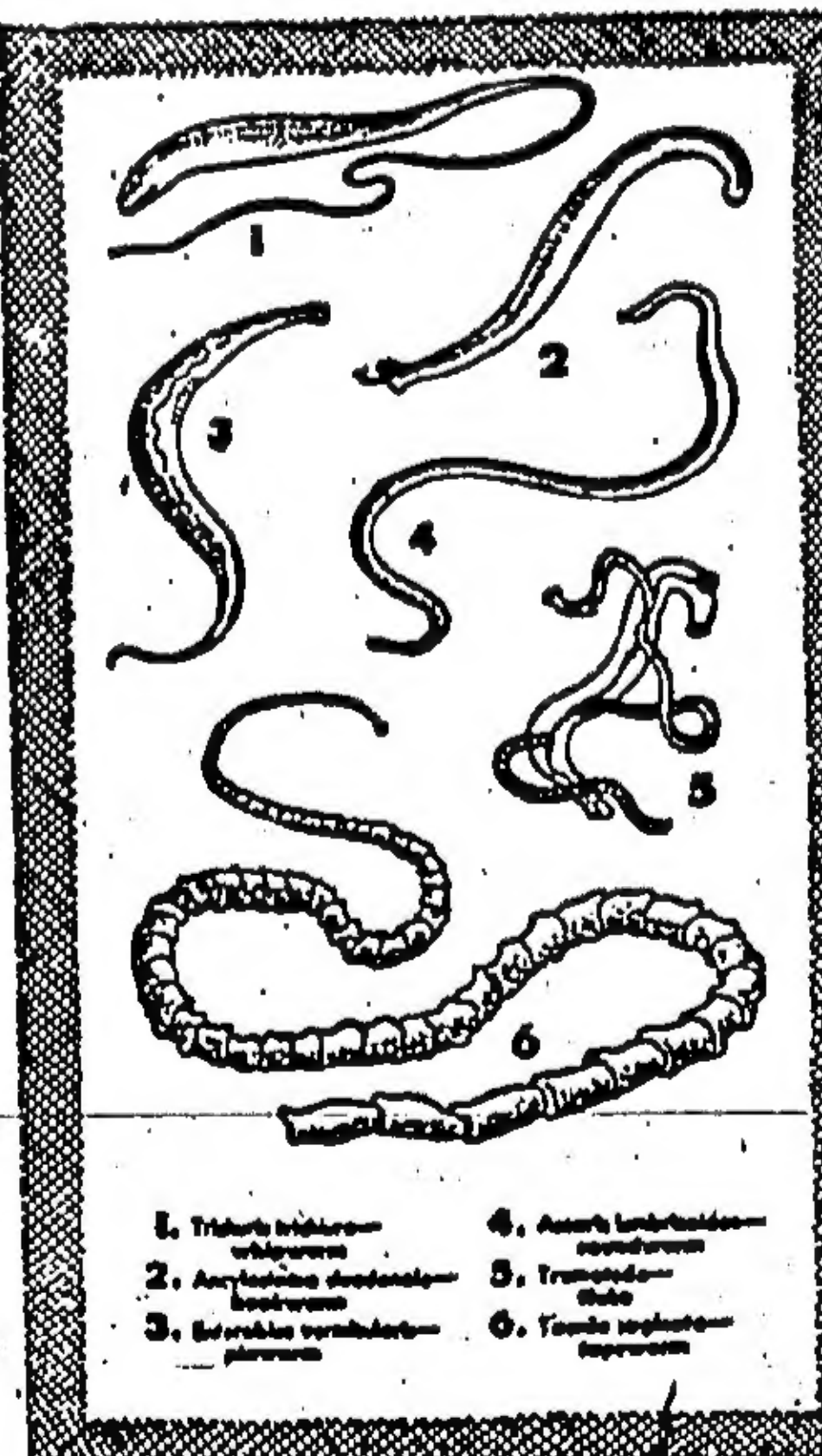
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MR. BEVIN'S DENIAL

Trieste Not Electioneering

Commons Applauds Foreign Minister

London, Mar. 24.

A denial of the charge that the proposal of Britain, the United States and France for the return of the Free Territory of Trieste to Italy was made with an eye on the Italian elections on April 18 was made by the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Ernest Bevin, today.

In reply to a question in the House of Commons, he declared: "This has nothing to do with the elections. I did not accuse the Soviet Government of an election manoeuvre in proposing the handing back of colonies to Italy and I do not think, alternatively, I should be accused of it."

A Labour critic of the Government's foreign policy, Mr. Thomas Driberg, asked whether, since the proposal had nothing to do with the Italian elections, it would not have been better for all the great powers, who appeared to be interfering in the elections, to have waited three weeks longer and so avoid influencing an already difficult international situation.

Amid applause, Mr. Bevin replied: "That question might be addressed to Moscow."

Mr. Bevin declared that it was understood that when the peace treaties were signed British troops would be evacuated from Trieste within four months of the date of signature. That had not been done because of the lack of agreement on the setting up of the Free Territory. The latest proposal was an attempt to break the deadlock.

Thin Skinned

Asked by Mr. William Gallacher, Communist, why he did not arrange for the four powers to consult, instead of three powers, Mr. Bevin said: "The history of recent months has shown that the peace treaty provisions for setting up Trieste as a Free Territory have been made unworkable."

"The three Governments have now been convinced that the only satisfactory solution, both from the economic and political standpoint, is the reversion of the territory to Italian sovereignty."

Mr. Bevin declared: "Having reached this conclusion, the three Governments thought it better to say so." Mr. Bevin added: "We have received a reply from the Italian Government stating that they are ready to negotiate a protocol in accordance with our proposals. We are awaiting the reply of the Soviet Government."

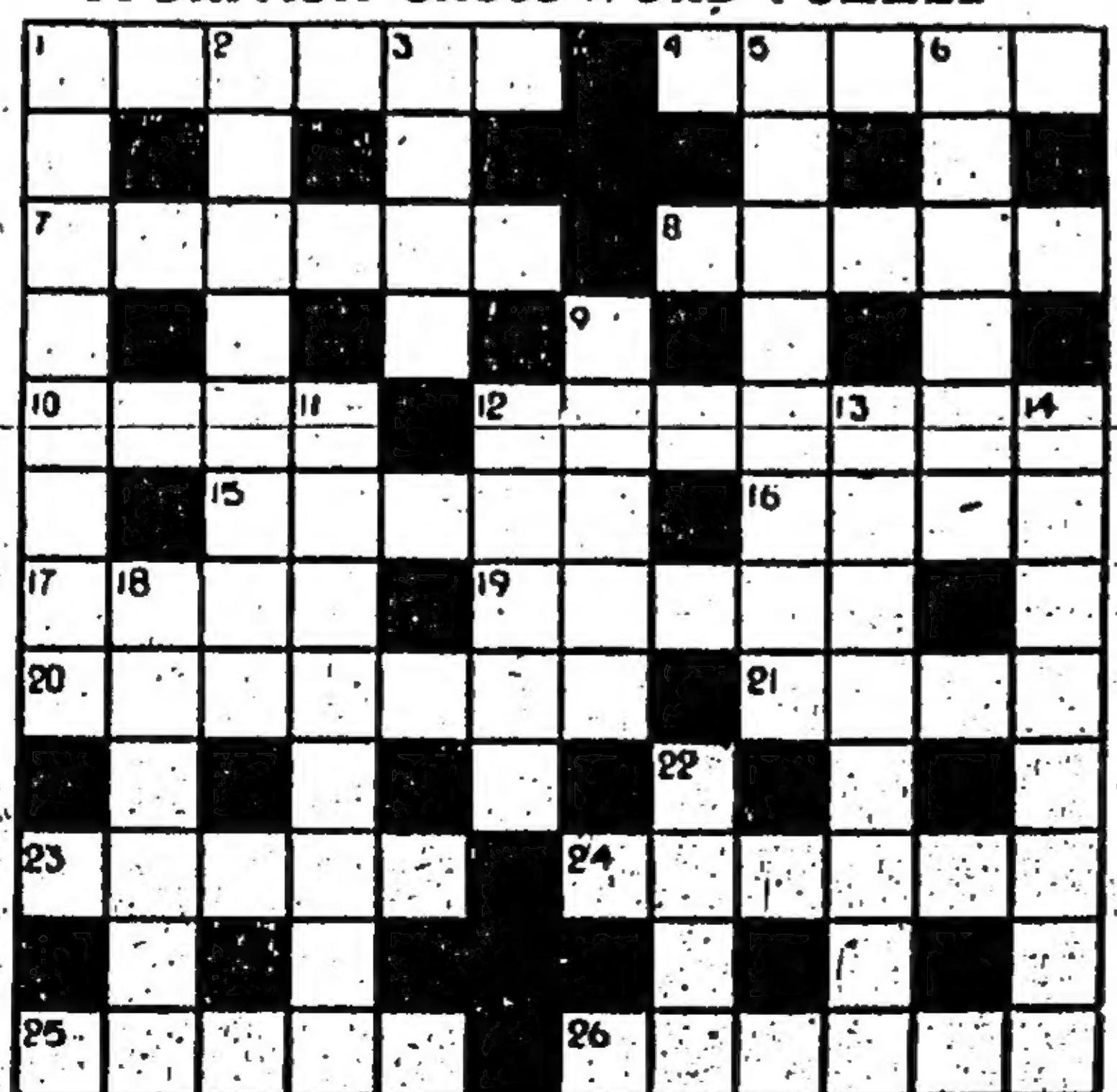
Report To U.N.

"I do not want to be drawn into any discussion which may hamper our chances of reaching a solution of this urgent problem by direct negotiation."

TANKER'S S.O.S.

London, Mar. 24.
Lloyd's shipping intelligence reports from Rio Grande de Sul, Brazil, that the 3,200-ton Norwegian motor tanker Fenja today sent out a distress signal stating a fire had broken out on board.

The signal was picked up when the vessel, which is on her way from Buenos Aires to Curacao, was off the Brazilian coast.—Reuter.

A BRITISH CROSSWORD PUZZLE**Clues Across**

- 1 Fight.
- 4 Elegance.
- 7 Rejected.
- 10 Undone.
- 12 Cooked.
- 15 At no time.
- 16 Stockings.
- 17 Profound.
- 19 Fossil.
- 20 Lengths.
- 21 Commotion.
- 23 Out of practice.
- 24 Register.
- 25 Necessary.
- 26 Forced open.

Clues Down

- 1 Finish.
- 2 Discipline.
- 3 Assure.
- 5 Enjoy.
- 6 Solids.
- 9 Shapes.
- 11 Showed.
- 12 Prepared.
- 13 Winding.
- 14 Demoted.
- 18 Dis up.
- 22 Expensive.
- 24 Revell.
- 25 Acting.
- 26 Brident.

Yesterday's Crossword

Across: 1. Allied; 2. Mordor; 3. Saturn; 4. Confused; 5. Bed; 6. 11; 7. 19; 8. Dared; 9. Pale; 10. Depleted.

Down: 1. 21; 2. Adage; 3. Ditch; 4. 31; 5. 11; 6. 21; 7. 11; 8. 21; 9. 11; 10. 21; 11. 11; 12. 21; 13. 11; 14. 21; 15. 11; 16. 21; 17. 11; 18. 21; 19. 11; 20. 21; 21. 11; 22. 21; 23. 11; 24. 21; 25. 11; 26. 21.

T.U.C. Backs Government Policy

London, Mar. 24.

Trade union executives, representing about 7,500,000 workers, today decided to support the Government's policy of pegging wages and prices.

The conference, attended by 1,534 delegates representing 155 unions, endorsed a decision already made by the General Council of the Trades Union Congress. Votes in favour of endorsement totalled 5,421,000 and those against 2,032,000. Voting was by the "card" system, delegates representing blocks of votes on behalf of their members.

The Council had asked delegates also to "accept responsibility for restraining applications for wage increases until the country has recovered."

Sir George Chester, Chairman of the Congress Prices Committee, who presented the Council's report, told the delegates there were now "all the elements conducive to uncontrolled inflation."

"If inflation came, it would be unprecedented in its severity and disastrous to the wage standards the movement has so labouriously built up," he said.

"The possibility of an economic paralysis had to be faced, Sir George added, and it was far better that at this stage the unions should exercise restraint and hold what they had and not endanger the movement's future."—Reuter.

CHANG CHUN RUMOURS

Nanking, Mar. 25.
Rumours about the impending resignation of General Chang Chun as Prime Minister were categorically denied by a responsible official of the Executive Yuan according to the Central Daily News.

Such rumours are "entirely groundless," the official is quoted as saying.—Reuter-AAP.

Britain's Mine Modernisation

New York, Mar. 25.
A British order for half a million anti-friction bearings to help mechanize her coal mines is reported by industry sources in New York.

Mr. O. Smith, Secretary of the Anti-Friction Bearing Manufacturers' Association, said it was one of the largest single foreign orders for bearings ever placed here.

The bearings, expected to increase the speed of thousands of new mechanical coal conveyors to be installed in the mines, represent part of Britain's £150,000,000 mine modernisation programme.—Associated Press.

Czech Foreign Policy Unchanged

Prague, Mar. 25.

Dr. Vladimir Clementis, new Czech Foreign Minister, said today in answer to questions submitted to him by Reuters, that Czechoslovakia's foreign policy before and after the Marshall Plan was unchanged.

It was to look after her security against any possible revival of Germany and her eventual allies, he said.

Czechoslovakia still strove to attain sincere international cooperation within the framework of the United Nations and to oppose anything that might circumvent the United Nations authority, or introduce into normal economic relations any political implications, he said.

This was a concise way of stating Czechoslovakia's reason for her stand against the Marshall Plan, which, moreover, favoured Germany in a most dangerous manner.

In the field of economy, Czechoslovakia still endeavoured to conclude bilateral agreements, if possible on long term basis, Dr. Clementis said. There had never been any change in this policy.

The Foreign Minister believed that without artificial obstacles placed in the way of normal financial, commercial and economic relations there would be no need for aid in the reconstruction of European economy.

German economy should be linked with world economy, but not in the form in which it is being done, without the agreement of the interested parties and particularly without the responsible Big Four powers and without a guarantee of security for the victims of German aggression.—Reuter.

Russia's Charge

London, Mar. 25.

Russia contended today that the Western Powers have failed to show "willingness to co-operate" on peace terms for Austria.

N. P. Koltimov made the charge at the 81st meeting of the Big Four Foreign Ministers Deputies.

In reply, the United States Deputy (Samuel Reber) and the French Deputy (Paul Cherrier) listed the offers they had made.

Koltimov insisted that the "concessions" were neither "real nor solid."—Associated Press.

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Every important trading nation except the Soviet Union and Spain had a hand in framing the charter. It is the first time in history that leading nations of the world were able to agree on a set of general rules for international commerce.

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U.S. dollars also dropped yesterday, and closing quotations were \$54. for notes, \$57. for drafts and \$58.44 for T.T.

Plasters suffered a further decline as the rate dropped to \$12.05 a 100 after opening at \$12.15.

Ticals were unchanged at \$26.70 a 100, but NEI Guilders slipped to \$32.00 a 100.

Chinese National Currency opened at 11-15/16 cents for futures and 13.1 cents for spot (for CN\$10,000) and closed at 11 1/2 cents and 13 cents, respectively.

Both Sterling and Australian pounds were unchanged at \$18.10 and \$12.53, respectively.

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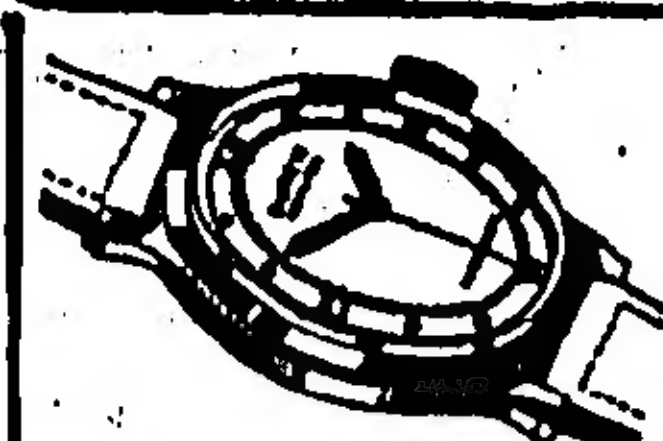
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Easter Race Meeting

Keen followers of the local turf will be provided with two days of their favourite sport during the Easter holidays as the Hong Kong Jockey Club's Easter Race Meeting starts tomorrow and continues on Monday.

Each day's programme will consist of twelve events; the first Stabling will be at 11.30 a.m. and the first race will commence promptly at 12 noon. The interval will follow on both days after the running of the fourth race, and the first bet after 10.10 will be rung at 2.30 p.m.

There is every reason to expect good weather conditions and the meeting should attract a satisfactory attendance.

The main events are the Easter Handicap, on Saturday, and the Season Challenge Cup, on Monday.

Mr. M.M. Boycott has left the Colony on business and will not be seen in action, but Messrs. H.S. Chang and H. Maitland will don colours and their appearance will be welcomed by the racing public.

First Race
Shaukiwan Handicap. — (First Section): From The 1-1/2 Mile Post.

The opening race on Saturday is a sprint event confined to Class 4, Australian ponies and it must be realised that a good race will make all the difference between winning and losing. In my estimation, the result will be decided between the following: Kentucky Moon (Mr. Kwok), Arabian Moon (Mr. Ostroumoff), Beckenham (Mr. Hodgman), Lightning (Mr. K. Tui) and Red Fox (Mr. Shieh). Kentucky Moon is a greatly improved animal and its win in the Hurst Park Handicap (First Section) over the mile at the 2nd, Extra should provide it with another win here. On the other hand, Arabian Moon is well suited to this distance and will be near at the close. Beckenham has not done anything of note following the Annual Meeting but it still goes on to win. Lightning and Red Fox have been gradually falling from grace, and unless they can recapture some of its previous brilliance, I am afraid they will be out of the running.

Second Race
Pukulan Handicap. — (First Section): From The 2 Mile Post.

In this race, for Class 5, Australian ponies, it is certainly no easy matter to pick out the winner, though it probably be one of the following: Countess Delight (Mr. Need), National Gift (Mr. H.S. Chang), Souvenir (Mr. Tui), The Chief (Mr. Kwok), and Al Fresco (Mr. S.W. Lee). Judging from the way Countess Delight ran at the 3rd, Extra meeting when it won the Pottingers Stakes (Second Section) over the six furlongs for Class 6, Australian ponies, it appears to have an opportunity of scoring another win here. If ridden by Mr. Need, who knows how to handle this pony, National Gift and The Chief will be another close. Cutler's Bridge Stakes (First & Second Section) at the 2nd, Extra meeting respectively over the mile, despite their bad performance at the last meeting, which was probably due to bad starting with most likely have something to say at the finish. There is Souvenir which has won a race over this distance before, to reckon with, although it failed to gain a place at the last meeting. Although Al Fresco is improving over long distances, it is not as it is causing any worry to the others as far as the first position is concerned.

Third Race
Tai Hang Handicap. — (First Section): Six Furlongs.

Class 2, Australian ponies will fight out the issue in this race and over this distance the best thing to do is to look for sprinters. Lily (Mr. R.K.C. Chui) has been knocking at the door of success for a long time, and I think its chances are rather bright. I came second to Rosemary in the Customs Handicap—1 1/2 Miles at the last meeting and provided Mr. Chui can get it off to a good start, it may win. Liberation Star (Mr. Maitland) is the next pony to be considered, in view of its win at the last meeting when it carried off the Pineapple Handicap (Second Section) over the mile with Mr. Ostroumoff, up, Rasher (Mr. Kwok) is a fast mover, and can be depended upon to make a fight of it. Panda (Mr. Tui) is another likely winner as this pony is fast over this distance and it should certainly be well backed. I think this combination is well worth a ticket each way. Sunlight will be in charge of Mr. D. Black, but I doubt if it is good enough to give the above-mentioned ponies any worry.

Fourth Race
Saiwan Handicap. — (First Section): 1 1/4 Miles.

This race will be contested by Class 3, Australian ponies. Pleasant Valley (Mr. S.W. Lee) is up, and it is likely to be the performance when it came third in the Doncaster Handicap over this distance ridden by Novice Jockey, Mr. Ho Hongping at the 2nd, Extra Meeting.

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Selections By "Rapier"

Race No. 1.
KENTUCKY MOON
ARABIAN MOON
BECKENHAM
Outsider: Red Fox.

Race No. 2.
COUNTRESS DELIGHT
NATIONAL GIFT
SOUVENIR
Outsider: The Chief.

Race No. 3.
LIBERATION STAR
RASHER
LILY
Outsider: Panda.

Race No. 4.
PLEASANT VALLEY
CHESTERFIELD
SPEEDWAY
Outsider: Lana.

Race No. 5.
EMPERORS GATE
A GRAND TIME
CHIEF WITNESS
Outsider: National Hope.

Race No. 6.
MERRY THOUGHTS
EMPERESS OF PEACE
MILVER WHEEL
Outsider: Toppall.

Race No. 7.
TRADE WIND
STRATHNAMARA
AIRFIELD
Outsider: Toowoomba Boy.

Race No. 8.
COOPER
BLACK MARKET
DAISY BELL
Outsider: Blue Sky.

Race No. 9.
ASCOT BEAUTY
D DAY
JEEP SHING
Outsider: Lucky Kid.

Race No. 10.
ANYWAY
FLYING ARROW
Outsider: Larkspur Ltd.

Race No. 11.
NEVERTIRE
REBEL
POSSIBILITY
Outsider: Spanish Onion.

Race No. 12.
J. J. DAY
LUCKY STRIKE
WODONGA
Outsider: Fort Knox.

that Avalon should win, and probably without much difficulty. Anyway (Mr. K. Kwok), which was third in the Pineapple Handicap (Second Section) at the last meeting, should give Avalon a good run up to a certain stage, but will have to be remarkably well to win. Flying Arrow (Mr. Shieh) and Larkspur Ltd. (Mr. S.C. Lung) were beaten by Anyway in the previous meeting, and one of them should all the third place. Amazon (Mr. Brodie) disappointed badly in running unplaced at the last meeting but may do better in this company over the longer distance.

Eleventh Race
Shaukiwan Handicap. — (Second Section): From The 1-1/2 Mile Post.

In this sprint event for the second section of Class 4, Australian ponies, I think the result will be decided between the following: Never-tire (Mr. Black), Rebel (Mr. Hodgman), Possibility (Mr. S.W. Lee), Queen of Hearts (Mr. Need), and Spanish Onion (Mr. H.S. Chang). Never-tire is in splendid condition and if it should secure a good start it may win, while I expect to see Rebel offer a challenge. Queen of Hearts is a bad starter, and unless it can move off quickly on Saturday it may again prove a disappointment. Spanish Onion

Easter Handicap: Six Furlongs.

This is the main event of the day and is confined to Class 4, Australian ponies, and a grand race should be seen. Mr. Black as the choice of either Cooper or Lily, and I expect the winner will be his point as it won the Ascent Handicap (First Section) at the last, Extra meeting, in which case there is a possibility of it winning again. Daisy Bell (Mr. Need) will find strong support, as this pony is fast over a short distance, but I am not relying on it to win because it failed badly the last time out. Black Market, under Mr. Ostroumoff, should give Cooper a great fight. It is very fit at the moment, and it should be near at the finish. Meador (Mr. S.W. Lee) and Blue Sky (Mr. K. Kwok) are noted for bad starts, although on a previous occasion Mr. Kwok got Blue Sky away fully and nimbly to come in fourth.

Ninth Race
Mungkok Handicap. — (First Section): Six Furlongs.

Unclassified Australian Ponies of 1940 whether they have started or not will try conclusions here. Weight 147 lbs. Judging from their recent form amongst the entries, I fancy Ascent Beauty (Mr. Ostroumoff) to win although its failure in the Caterick Bridge Stakes (Third Section) at the 2nd, Extra in running unplaced has been most disappointing. D. J. (Mr. Tui) did well in securing fourth position in the second section of the above race and should be well supported accordingly. Jeep Shing (Mr. Hodgman) is another pony to be watched as it will be running in this race on Saturday. I would recommend keeping Lucky Kid (Mr. Need) in mind, although I am of the opinion that Ascent Beauty will win, with D-Day second, and Jeep Shing third.

Tenth Race
Saiwan Handicap. — (Second Section): 1 1/4 Miles.

Class 3, Australian Ponies will do battle over the Champion distance for supremacy and looking over the entries I think Avalon (Mr. Need) is the one to watch. It is a fast mover, and it should certainly be well backed. I think this combination is well worth a ticket each way. Sunlight will be in charge of Mr. D. Black, but I doubt if it is good enough to give the above-mentioned ponies any worry.

Navy Hard-Pressed To Field A Team

Sing Tao were victorious in a thrilling and well-controlled game at the Club Ground yesterday evening. Navy were hard pressed to field a team. One player was suffering from an injection (a last minute Saigon choice) and another took the field after arriving back from sea only an hour before the game. The Chinese were tired out after their recent games and showed visible signs of fatigue.

Navy took the offensive from the word "go" and made a determined effort to get ahead. Sing Tao were dangerous only in breakaways and it was from one such dash that Fung King-chung opened the Chinese score. Three minutes later, Navy came back with a good equaliser when outside left Halls (who had anticipated a move) was right in and got his head to a cross from the right wing to put the Navy back on level terms.

Clarke, Navy outside left, led the Chinese a merry dance and it was difficult to know where he was going to turn up next. Sing Tao indulged in fancy later-passing, but seemed to get their powers, while Navy were tackling first time and pushing the ball about in long open passing movements that were only spoilt by lack of finishing power. Close on half-time Fung again got through and his shot gave Sing Tao a goal lead at half time.

On the resumption, Navy still used their very open play and the ball was in the Chinese half for long periods. It was very much against the run of play that Sing Tao went further ahead after a quarter of an hour in the second half. It was from a break-away when Lee Angus, who was put through on the right and placed the ball well out of the Navy's reach.

3-Goal Lead
The Navy were not yet done and there was a chance that they could pull the game out of the fire. Chang Kam-hoi moved that, however, when in the closing stages of the game, he scored with a rasping shot to give Sing Tao a three-goal lead.

Navy were by no means disgraced by the score and although they did not fully extend their efforts were good losers. A good point that many spectators noticed was the delightful refereeing of Mr. Ward, who gave very prompt decisions and had the

hns. invariably done well over short distance events, and a win here would not be surprising.

Twelfth Race
Tai Hang Handicap. — (Second Section): Six Furlongs.

The day's programme will be concluded with a race for the second lot of Class 2, Australian ponies, which has probably arrived for it. Chui is carrying top weight of 159 lbs., which may not be too much of a handicap owing to the short distance, and as it was last recently demoted, it certainly stands a good chance of winning. Lily, with Mr. Need, is a quick start over this distance and should have a say, never, our has it, is just as capable as the others of winning, and the fact that it has been demoted to score is a bad omen. Fort Knox (Mr. R.K.C. Chui), however, may be regarded as a dangerous contender by virtue of its win in the Pineapple Handicap (First Section) over the mile at the 2nd, Extra. The distance is also suited to Wodonga (Mr. Brodie) and as an outsider it is worth following.

McRae and Eggleston of C.B.S., Ling Koh Kong and Rodriguez of La Salle, and Piasarav of D.B.S. catching the eye most. Among the Juniors, Ling, with wins in the 100 metres, High and Long Jumps, and a very good second in the Shot Put, had a field day in every sense of the word and his winning effort of 4'10" in the High Jump should last for some time as long as the 5'3" height limit for juniors remains.

McRae, in the Senior division, also had a good day with wins in the 100 and 200 metres and a second in the High Jump, an event which most people have expected him to win. His win in the 100 metres was only 1/10 outside Hosenood's all time record of 11.6 seconds in '38 and he completed a very useful afternoon's work by running an excellent 400 metres in the all important Medley Relay.

In Piasarav D.B.S. have a very long striding, easy runner and under the miserable weather conditions, and considering he had already run third in the 500 metres, 1 1/2 mile and 400 metres in 5.5, a very creditable effort indeed for any runner who had the back straight to complete with such a strong field and driving pace to face.

The Medley Relay provided for all present the thrill of the afternoon. Both teams, C.B.S. and La Salle, had been close together all afternoon; now half a point only separated them; all the boys concerned had had a heavy afternoon's programme, and this was the last event. Came the last leg, the 800 metres, and Eggleston took the baton over with a slight start over Rodriguez. Both boys had already won an 800 metres event that same afternoon, Eggleston in the Senior and Rodriguez in the Junior. Conditions for running were foul with steady rain and a heavy cross wind which made the back straight a misery but both boys went all out and when Eggleston finally crossed the line to win the Governor's Shield for C.B.S. the spectators had been treated to an exhibition of whole-hearted endeavour by two very fit boys which showed school athletics at its best.

Rodriguez incidentally had already distinguished himself by winning the 1600 metres against all seniors although he is still eligible as a Junior. Although he has the makings of a real athlete, but his school would be well advised to allow him to "burn" his energy in the "long" when he leaves school. The temptation when

Course At Fanling Closed

Starting on Tuesday, Mar. 30 the "Old Course" at Fanling will be closed temporarily for major improvements.

Sports Briefs

Rugby matches played today: Rugby Union, Hospitals Cup Final, St. Mary's Hospital 3 Guy's Hospital 8.

Other matches: Aberlilly 8 Somerset Police 0, Royal Naval Engineering College Davenport 3 Plymouth Albion 21.—Reuter.

Kingston, Mar. 24. Jamaica and the MCC drew their four-day return match, which ended here today.

Scores: MCC 313 and 221 for seven wickets declared; Jamaica 258 and 178 for three.—Reuter.

Chinese Y.M.C.A. received a walkover from Police, Sing Tao received a walkover from Chung Wah.

The matches between K.C.C. "A" and University "A", University "B" and St. Mary's were postponed.

MEN'S DOUBLES
The following are the results of the Men's Doubles league matches played on Wednesday, March 24:

Recreo "B" beat St. Mary's 7-0.
K.C.C. "A" lost to Recreo "A" 4-5.
St. Teresa's "A" beat V.R.C. 5-4.
Police beat Kowloon Dock 5-4.

The match between University "A" and St. John's was postponed.

German's Condition Was "Desperate"

London, Mar. 24. Major Frank Edmunds, a former British intelligence officer, told a court martial trying Lt. Richard Oliver Langham for "disgraceful conduct of a cruel kind" today that neither he nor Langham, acting on his instructions, had ever ordered, or ever knew about, any beating up of prisoners at the Bad Nenndorf interrogation camp.

Major Edmunds was the principal witness for the defence at today's hearing—the 18th day of the trial.

The charges against him, similar to those against Langham, where withdrawn recently after a High Court ruling that military law could not be applied to officers who are demobilized at the time charged and arrested.

Examined, Major Edmunds said he and Lt. Langham told a former SS man, Oberster Roeder—one of the two Germans involved in the charge against Langham—that the only way in which he could save his life and those of his wife and daughter was to make a complete confession of his part in a certain movement.

The court adjourned till tomorrow. Roeder and Dr. Horst Mahke, a Berlin University professor, are the two Germans involved in the case.

They are alleged to have been "beaten up" during a lengthy interrogation in April, 1946, after the British Intelligence had heard of plans for a rising in Hitler's birthday, April 20.—Reuter.

The Canuckettes are a-rarin' to go into action again, having had a month's lay-off. Alice Mar, Maple Leaf twirler, has been reported to be in top form and with the backing of their catching discovery Rita Lo, they will be all out to massacre the Bees—unless, of course, the Bees have improved with their weekly outings at the Marina lot. News from Madcapville is that "first-sacker" Romeo Hamet has been nominated to succeed Eddie Marques in handling managerial duties. The Madcappers have only one more game against V.R.C. before they complete their schedule, and though this should not be any trouble to the experienced infielder, methinks he is slated for a headache when he finds his jolliettes from the Aces and Bees on his hands.

The Future
In the current issue of "Balls and Strikes," Walter Hakanson is reported as having taken over the Presidency of the A.S.A. and taking a glimpse into the future, Hakanson foresees that Softball will be an event in the Olympics of 1952.

Hakanson is a pioneer in Softball and organized the game in 1920, and judging from the rapid strides made since then, we have no doubt the "new" game's move in this direction will be successful.

What may interest local fans immediately is that the Empire Games of 1950 will be around very soon, and the local governing body should now strive to

At the moment the Hong Kong Football Association give every support to Schools Football. Grounds and referees are made available and for all big games now the Association allocates a certain number of free seats to "schoolboys." Why not an Athletics Association to give similar help to School Athletics and to provide a follow on for the boys when they leave school?—E.D.

Softball Notes

(By "Grandstand")
The Softball spotlight this week will be focussed on the China-V. India International scuffle scheduled for Sunday at 2.30 p.m. at the C.B.A. Ground. The only other senior loop tilt is between the Filipinos and the Police, while the Canadiennes take on the Madcap Bees in a female clash.

The remaining games on the holiday programme will be "B" Division fixtures.

The Indians, who have taken International honours twice during the last decade, will take the field against a hopeful Chinese-side in a diamond duel which has the makings of another marathon game. On paper the former looks stronger, but they will be without their reliable "third-sacker" Benny Omar and husky slugging out-fielder Jindoo Hussain, both of whom will be away from the Colony during the week-end.

On the other hand, the Chinese side have been strengthened by the recent acquisition of windy-alley guardian Wally Ma, thus relieving field-captain Bill Woo to direct operations from first base. Indian pitching strength is at its lowest ebb this year with only Sherry Bucks on hand, while the Chinese contingent will be able to call upon Law Chung San and that ace-twirler Herbie Quon—both of whom are fireballers par excellence. The others in the defensive department seem about the same, so it looks like China has the edge on the field.

Lanky "Home-run" Bakar can match cloud-bumping Bill Woo, while Indian key-stoner Junior Marker has so far proved that China's left-gardener Showboat, Young Ka-shing is not the only exponent in the art of laying a bunt. The only other awant-smiths on the China line-up are Herbie Quon and Geegee Lee, but the Indians have Sabu Samy, Sherry Bucks and veteran Ahwou Omar who are capable of rapping out singles any time they get to the plate. Stacked up against each other, it could be anybody's game, but despite the treacherous creaking branch beneath me, your scribe is inclined to go out on the limb and predict China to emerge victorious to meet Portugal in the Finals.

Joey Franco
When the Police clash with the Islanders on Sunday morning, Jeff Dempsey's Coppers will be up against Joey Franco who left a trail of star-dust behind after his convincing performance last Sunday in the Portuguese-Great Britain classic.

Not so long ago, when it was doubtful whether Joey would be allotted the hurling assignment for the Lusitanians, he staked his claim to that slot by vociferously challenging any man to produce a better flinger, and Joey has certainly lived up to his word. His historical achievement goes into the book as the only time any pitcher has thrown 12 innings, and that was in fast company.

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Starting Times
Week-end starting times at Fanling:
Sunday: 9.05 A.E. Lusitania—E.T. McMullen; 9.12 K.S. Robertson—H.R. Cleland; 9.16 W.S. Hay, J. Forbey; 9.20 N.J. Hooker—W.V. Ahern; 9.22 H.W.E. Heath—W.A. Blair-Kass; 9.26 G.G.D. Carver—D.S. Rober; 9.30 F. de Jong—J.B. Mackie; 9.34 N.A. Brown—J.R. McLean; 9.38 W.S. Gordon—H.B. Tigh; 9.42 J. Lankier—H.J. Cowie; 9.46 L. Goldman—R.K. Gray; 10.00 W.O. Davies—L.M. Lloyd; 10.04 J.A.R. Selby—H.E. Mundy; 10.08 W.N.A. Smalley—R.S. Barry; 10.12 J.C. Robertson—A. Mabb; 10.16 J.L.C. Peacock—J.D. Maguire; 10.20 E.H. Selamberg—E.G. Ingram; 10.24 W.H. Lyall—F.S. Ingham.

Monday: 9.35 Davis—E.T. McMullen; 9.41 J. Kite—J. Forbey; 9.45 W.H. Lyall—G.H. Cawthley; 9.49 R.W. Mackichan—S.S. Gordon; 10.00 E. Bathurst—R.S. Barry.

Tennis
The following are the results of yesterday's tennis doubles at the Hong Kong Cricket Club ground: J.D. Mackie and S. Sall beat G.A. and A.E. Noronka 7-6, 7-5; Wai-pul beat J.A. Soares and F. Ribeiro 6-4, 6-3.

S.A. and H.D. Humphreys beat Norman and Donald 6-2, 10-8.

J.B. Gonsalves and W.A. Reid beat A.M. Alves and A.V. Remedios 6-2, 5-7, 6-3.

Wong Shiu-wing and Luk Ding-ching beat Frank H. Kwok and Ho Ka-lau 8-4, 6-4.

HKSCC MEETING
A meeting to discuss the immediate revival of the Hong Kong Civil Service Cricket Club, the clubhouse of which is at present occupied by squatters, will be held next Thursday at 6.15 p.m. in the office of the Accountant, Public Works Department.

Mr. B. C. K. Hawkins, Commissioner of Labour, will preside at the meeting.

Tentative estimates for re-arrangement of the Club and grounds including furniture and games gear have been calculated at \$70,000.

The following will represent the MCC in a cricket match against the University at K.C.C. on Saturday, starting at 2.30 p.m.: J. B. Gonsalves, W. C. Gordon, V. H. White, E. C. Reid, R. Smith, R. Leigh, E. C. Reid, E. A. J. Hancock, J. Tibbels, and A. N. O'Neil.

To-day being Good Friday, there will be no regular meeting of the Rotary Club of Hong Kong.